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HEROES

Miraculous

Tales of Ladybug & Cat Noir

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1. THE HEROES

a. MARINETTE DUPAIN-CHENG, alias LADYBUG

Marinette is ***the superheroine*** of the show. She is 13 at the beginning of season 1 and turns 14 (in season 2's episode *Befana*). She is a ninth grader.

Besides being a junior high school student, Marinette is enthusiastic, sincere and positive, always looking on the bright side of life. She's also very active and full of beans.

She's generous and altruistic, eager to help others solve their problems.

On the downside, because she's so impulsive, she has the habit of **not looking before she leaps**; this, of course, leads to its fair share of disasters!

But despite her legendary clumsiness, she always patches things up, **promoting happiness around her**.

Marinette has a hard time turning people down, so she always has a ton of things going on at any one time.

Marinette often babysits a 7-year-old girl, **Manon** (akumatized in season 1's "Puppeteer" and season 3's "Puppeteer 2"), whose mother Nadja Chamack (the reporter) is often very busy. She also babysits Nino's younger brother, Chris, when Nino and Alya go out (season 3, episode "Chris Master"). She even babysits Manon, Chris and Alya's twin sisters Etta and Alya in season 4's episode "Simpleman".

Her unique Marinette-speeches: When she's excited, Marinette talks fast and tends to get carried away, delivering super long monologues at top speed. If she's worried, she imagines disaster scenarios, like "This is a disaster! My life is over!"

BUT REMEMBER: she does also sometimes enjoy some relaxing downtime – she's not just one big hysterical cyclone!

Marinette is comfortable in anyone's company, except that of her crush, Adrien. When he's around, she loses her marbles, stuttering and stammering like crazy if the conversation is about her feelings for him. However, if they're talking about anything else, she's able to have a normal conversation with him! Will she ever manage to tell Adrien how she feels about him? And why does she have that problem?

We'll find out why in season 5 (episode "Derision"): back in eighth grade, Marinette had a crush on Kim. But when she declared herself to him, she suffered a humiliation orchestrated by Chloe. Since then, she hasn't been able to declare herself to anyone else, too afraid that she might experience the same nightmare again. Of course, she's not aware of this until episode "Derision". But even once she knows about her problem, we'll see that it doesn't necessarily make it any easier telling yourself that you love them!

Why does Marinette have a crush on Adrien?

Adrien is the son of a famous fashion designer and models for his father. Marinette finds him smart, gifted, handsome, nice... in one word, he's perfect! He's the untouchable "school star", and he happens to be in her class!

Problem is, she's not the only one who's noticed this! In fact, all the girls in school (and in Paris and *the world!*) are seriously hooked on him!

But none of the other girls know about what Marinette happened to chance upon, one fine day...

In the classroom, Marinette saw Adrien writing some words down on a piece of paper. Then, he screwed it up and tossed it in the trash can on his way out. She picked it up and discovered within a poem written to "*a girl I see every day*." Marinette realizes he must be talking about one of the girls in their class. Could it be her??!!

Adrien's poem was, of course, about Ladybug (*A girl he sees everyday*)

Meanwhile, hoping to one day elucidate the mystery, Marinette has framed the poem and hung it on her wall, like a museum exhibit. Every time she reads it, it triggers her imagination: she dreams of the day he'll love her too, and of their future life together.

But her constant failures to confess her love to Adrien lead Marinette to wonder if he really is a boy for her. And when Luka shows up in our heroine's life one day, he sows confusion in her heart...

Luka comes from a more "classic" family than Adrien. He's the son of Anarka and Juleka's older brother. He's charming and has a simple and sincere way of expressing his feelings via his guitar. Unlike Adrien, Luka can go out whenever he wants. *And* Marinette can talk to him without stumbling over her words, leading to a much easier relationship. But whether with him or Adrien, Marinette can never be her true self, because she can't tell a soul that she is also Ladybug.

In episode 403, she tells her secret to her friend Alya: *I am... Ladybug!*

Marinette and Ladybug

Marinette is constantly on the go and is always running late because of her duties as Ladybug.

Because of these latenesses, **she is always forced to find the most inconceivable of excuses**. We will show how she deftly talks to the teachers, to get out of being punished for being late or for having disappeared for a while (to attend to a mission as Ladybug). Similarly, whenever she has to take off and be Ladybug, she always finds the craziest of pretenses, but always manages to be credible about them.

She has the gift of the gab, skillfully convincing people of the most incredible things. But this talent goes to pot with one person only – Adrien – at which point she becomes a blabbering fool!

Marinette and fashion

Marinette is very creative: she's got a very fertile imagination and is good with her hands. If there's one thing she loves in life it's designing and **making things**.

She makes purses, hats, clothes, jewelry, knitted scarves – pretty much anything. Everything on her – clothes and accessories – are items of her own making. In the show, she will concentrate mainly on making accessories.

Marinette obviously admires the big fashion designers, one of them being Adrien's dad. But she's not a groupie or a slave to fashion. She's not fleeting or superficial and doesn't dream about being famous one day. What she admires the most is true talent, a well-done product and great ideas.

Marinette or her parents do not have the means to buy top designer items. But when Marinette sees something she likes, she may be tempted to copy it, to recreate it in her own way.

Most of what she makes is for her own use but she does also sometimes make gifts for her parents, for Alya, and even for Adrien. She loves making things that make other people happy.

Marinette has a diary. She writes everything in it and even keeps a record of her best designs. She keeps her diary in a box locked by a tamper-proof mechanism (see Sabrina in season 1's "Dark Cupid"). To lose it would be 'the end of the world' for Marinette.

With Alya's help, Marinette creates a blog to feature her designs (see "Reflekdoll", season 3).

Marinette and her parents

Marinette is Eurasian. She was born in France, so she definitely feels Parisian, but uses chopsticks when eating spaghetti or noodles.

Her parents run a bakery in Paris' 21st arrondissement. The family lives above the shop, overlooking Notre-Dame (see the section on her parents, below).

At home, Marinette is lively, happy and carefree (enjoying a "regular" childhood, far from the responsibilities of Ladybug), and always positive and ready to help around the house.

She loves learning how to make bread with her grandfather Roland, or macarons with her dad, Tom.

When she joins the "Resistance", she goes by Comrade Bechamel.

Needless to say, the daily aspects of Marinette's life (in school or at home) represent obstacles which Ladybug will have to contend with while striving to complete her missions. She is forever having to juggle between the two identities (Marinette *versus* Ladybug).

When Marinette switches to Ladybug...

Marinette lives with her Kwami, Tikki, on a daily basis.

When Marinette is ready to convert into Ladybug, she must say the magic words:

Tikki, Spots on!

At which point, Tikki changes into an energy stream and flows into one of her plain-colored earrings (worn by Marinette everyday). The earrings then turn red and grow five black spots, just like a regular ladybug.

Then, Marinette switches, too, as illustrated by a black-spotted red costume, covering her body from top to toe! And, last but not least, she gains a mask, to prevent her from being identified!

She is now **Ladybug**, the **lucky charm** superhero.

How Marinette behaves when she's Ladybug

Remember that Marinette always wears her mask when she's Ladybug. Even though Ladybug rarely makes mistakes, even though she usually drives situations as a leader, she will from time to time use her superhero costume to help Marinette (see "Timebreaker", "Volpina", "Cat Blanc"), which of course she absolutely shouldn't. This will always cause problems.

Ladybug

Her regalia

- **Magic earrings** she uses to change into Ladybug.
- Her **yoyo, a multifunctional gadget**, which Ladybug handles with amazing dexterity. She seems to be able to wield it any way she wants. She can use it to make phone calls (Bugphone mode), search for data on the Net, find her bearings (via holographic maps), hold the new powers macarons (magicarons, from season 2 on) and the Miraculous she distributes to other superheroes (from season 4 on).

For example:

- the string stretches endlessly,
- she can use it to slice through anything, as if it were a butter slice cutter,
- she can use it to swing from one rooftop to another, in Spiderman fashion,
- she can wrap it round two poles to make a kind of web capable of stopping a bus,
- she can wrap it around chimney stacks while she's free-falling, and make a safety net out of it, to catch herself on her way down,
- it can be used to tie up a baddy,
- she may also spin the string around very fast, to make a shield-like object.

And a multitude of other uses yet to be thought up!

Her power

- Lucky Charm

When Ladybug calls up her power, ladybugs (the insect kind) swarm out of her yoyo and assemble to form some mystery object, the purpose of which Ladybug must then fathom out before she can use it (this should be used to defeat the villain, at the end of the episode).

Examples of objects (all in Ladybug's colors: red with black dots): a towel, a coin, a mirror, a spoon, a wrench, a candy apple, a spray-paint can, a hairspray can, a guitar, a traffic cone, a motorbike's lock, a shoebox, a camera, a parachute...

When she understands how to use the object, the elements of the settings that she needs to use get highlighted to illustrate her idea. Her power doesn't give her the solution. Only through personal reflection can she figure it out.

Time lock: once Ladybug uses her "lucky charm" power, she has 5 minutes before reverting back to Marinette.

Her earring flashes visibly and the 5 black spots disappear one by one. By the time the last spot has faded, Ladybug automatically switches back to Marinette.

It's a bit like Cinderella, who knows that, when the clock strikes midnight, her carriage will turn back into a pumpkin and she will no longer be a princess.

As you grow older, you get a better control over this time lock and can extend the deadline... or even remove it entirely (like Hawk Moth, who only transforms back if and when he wants to), see *Revolution*.

If someone manages to seize Ladybug's earring (see "Troublemaker", season 2), the jewel starts flashing faster, the black dots disappear faster than when she's used her Lucky Charm, and her suit starts disappearing, showing Marinette's clothes underneath. Ladybug has to retrieve her earring before the last dot disappears, otherwise she'd transform back into Marinette, revealing her secret identity to the world.

N.B.: only Ladybug is able to capture the baddy's akuma (Cat Noir cannot).

This is what makes her the leader, the unique and indispensable one of the two.

She cannot catch the akuma if she is not in Ladybug mode.

If she doesn't capture the akuma, the latter can multiply and create mini akumas (See first part of the "Origins" two parter).

As a general rule, this power should only be used one time per episode.

Her kwami must be replenished (get rest and refuel) before switching back again.

Call-on-another-superhero Ritual in seasons 2 and 3 (with Master Fu)

In a situation where Ladybug and Cat Noir are in great difficulty, Ladybug's Lucky Charm can be the thing making her realize that their only chance is to call on a superhero ally.

Each time, in such scenario in seasons 2 and 3, the Lucky Charm gives her an object that reminds her of Master Fu. It can't be too straightforward or too simple. We have to make Ladybug smart by having her understand that this is no ordinary Lucky Charm.

Example: a gong that looks just like the one she's already seen at Master Fu's.

To reinforce Marinette's involvement, Master Fu will ask her every time to choose the Miraculous she's about to give out from the Miracle Box. Master Fu will let her choose among ALL the Miraculous in the box.

Each time Marinette goes to Master Fu to pick up some new Miraculous, the following ritual plays out:

- Master Fu enters the code on the phonograph, which opens. The Miracle Box rises. Its lip springs open. The drawers open, unveiling all the Miraculous.
- Fu turns to Marinette and tells her: "Marinette Dupain-Cheng. Pick an ally you can trust to fight alongside you on this mission."
- Marinette concentrates hard, staring at the box containing the jewels.
- Fu tells her: "Choose wisely. Such powers are meant to serve the greater good. They must never get into wrong hands..." and "Once the mission is over, you will retrieve the Miraculous from them and bring it back to me."
- Marinette picks a Miraculous from the box and brings it to the person she has chosen. At the end of the mission, she'll have to retrieve the Miraculous and bring it back to Fu.

Ladybug as guardian of the Miraculous – from season 4 on

In the season 3 finale, Fu appointed Ladybug as the new guardian. The Miracle Box and the yoyo consequently got reconfigured and changed in appearance. For the first time in the history of the Miraculous, a holder of the Miraculous of the Ladybug has also become a Guardian. This unprecedented situation will hold a few surprises for Marinette/Ladybug! She is about to find out that the change is not just an aesthetic one: her powers are about to evolve too!

Now, Marinette/Ladybug owns the Miracle Box and all the Miraculous, hence the 12 Kwamis + Tikki! She keeps it all at home, in her room!!!

From now on, whenever she wants to have access to a Miraculous and assign it, all Ladybug has to do is open her yoyo. The latter has turned into a magic portal through which she can access the jewels kept in the Miracle Box, which she hides in her room.

Special powers

In season 2, thanks to the Grimoire that Master Fu scanned at the end of episode 201 ("The Collector"), Marinette finds out that she can upgrade her kwami.

The upgraded kwami provides an upgraded outfit and an upgraded yoyo. This upgrade will allow Ladybug to use new abilities when faced to unprecedented and specific situations.

How does it work?

- The Grimoire is like a recipe book. It contains the list of the ingredients that allow to create a magic food which allows to unlock each new power (NB: the Kwamis can **never** know what these ingredients are to avoid the worst if they ever fell into the hands of an ill-intentioned owner).
- To upgrade her powers, Marinette has to feed her Kwami with a magicaron (see season 2 “Syren”) and say a magic phrase (always the same): *Tikki, Power Up!*
- Tikki changes form... and says her new name out loud, for instance: *AquaTikki!*
- Then, Marinette says: *AquaTikki, spots on!*
- Marinette transforms into Aquabug: her suit now has an aquatic feature.
- Her yoyo is upgraded too, with brand new features.

ALT: to gain time, Ladybug and Cat Noir can also eat a magicaron/magicamembert themselves and say “Power Up!” to transform straight into Aqua- / Ice- / Cosmo- etc. mode.

Examples of special powers:

Tikki becomes AquaTikki, who gives the Aquabug outfit (aquatic Ladybug) and gives new abilities to the superheroine (she can swim and breathe underwater) and her yoyo.

Tikiki becomes StalacTikki, who gives the LadyIce suit, perfectly adapted for very cold conditions, with built-in ice skates!

When she’s in a special mode, the special Ladybug can revert to her “regular” version by saying “AquaTikki (for the aquatic mode, for instance), power down!”

Capturing the akuma, at the end

At the end of each episode, Ladybug breaks the villain’s special object, saying: “No more evil-doing for you, little akuma!”

(small variation from episode 421 “Dearest Family” on: since Shadow Moth now creates *Megakumas*, the catchphrase becomes “No more evil-doing for you, Megakuma!”

The akuma (or Megakuma) is released. Ladybug says “Time to de-evilize!”

She captures the akuma in her yoyo: “Gotcha!”

When the akuma flies back out of the yoyo, it has turned back into a beautiful white butterfly and flies off into the sky. “Bye-bye, little butterfly!”

Ladybug tosses the object her Lucky Charm gave her up into the air, saying “Miraculous Ladybug!”

The object scatters into a swarm of magic ladybugs which go out and fix all the damage in Paris.

Symbolically-speaking, (Meg-)akumas are butterflies turned into evil creatures by Hawk Moth (or Shadow Moth, or Monarch). Ladybug then converts them back into beautiful white butterflies, a symbol of Good.

Then, we'll end off with an Angle On Ladybug, happy at having saved Paris again, and doing a high-five with Cat Noir: "Pound it!"

Repairing the damage

Once the baddy has been defeated, the mystery "lucky charm" object changes into a swarm of ladybugs, which then set off to fix Paris back up again. Ladybug proclaims: **"Miraculous Ladybug!"** to trigger this.

The Kwagatama

It's a great symbol of friendship among kwamis! The kwami takes a hair from their Miraculous holder and joins it to the hairs of all former holders. With them, the kwami grows a magic resin for a few months before they can finally give a magic jewel to their holder: the kwagatama.

Tikki gives hers to Marinette on her 14th birthday (*Befana*, season 2).

Marinette will discover in season 5, episode *Reunion*, that the kwagatama allows her to conjure up the Memories of the former holders of the Miraculous of the Ladybug (she can't however conjure up the Memory of the former holder of another jewel).

The Memories can only remember what they experienced during their time as holder of the Miraculous.

To conjure up a Memory, one should place the kwagatama on the seal that marks the spot where memory was placed (on a sculpture of Jehanne, for instance) and say: "Reunion".

To make the Memory disappear, one should say: "End of reunion".

Episode *Reunion* (season 5) features the story of two former Miraculous holders: The Scarlet Fate (Johanne of Arc) and Dark Grimalkin.

Handing out magical charms – from season 4 on...

In *Mr. Pigeon 72*, Ladybug finds out that she can create Magical Charms that protect whoever wears them from negative emotions.

The ritual hasn't change, nor have the catchphrases. Except now, when the akuma and/or the feather is released from the yoyo, Ladybug keeps it open. She reaches into it and pulls out the "residue" of the akumatized victim's negative emotion.

This "residue" gets trapped in a piece of jewelry magically forged inside the yoyo. This jewel, which symbolically imprisons the negative emotion, is a true lucky charm – it's the Magical Charm.

This didn't happen before because Ladybug wasn't the guardian. Tikki will explain to her that this is the first time a Ladybug Miraculous holder is granted the title of Guardian. As such, she will discover new possibilities she didn't have before.

At the end of each adventure, Ladybug leaves the de-akumatized person the Magical Charm.

As long as the person keeps this lucky charm with them, they're immune to this trapped negative emotion and cannot be akumatized again by Shadow Moth. (Of course, they can lose it, or it can be stolen from them!!!).

In episode 421 (and following) Shadow Moth creates Megakumas to counter Ladybug's Magical Charms.

At the end of season 5, we find out that a Magical Charm can also counter a Megakuma if the person wearing it focuses (or is encouraged) – see episode 521 *Confrontation*.

Starting from episode 523 on, Ladybug can control her powers like adults do. She no longer transforms back after using her power. And once she's created a Lucky Charm, she can make it disappear with one move and then create another one. Endlessly.

Ladybug has handed Magical Charms out to:

Mr. Ramier in *Mr. Pigeon 72*.

Harry Clown in *Psycomedian*.

Master Fu in *Furious Fu*.

Zoe in *Sole Crusher*.

Chloe (unknown to her!) in *Queen Banana*, then *Penalteam*.

Gabriel Agreste in the eponymous episode.

Andre Bourgeois in *Mega Leech*.

Juleka in *Guiltrip* and *Confrontation*.

Anarka and **Jagged Stone** in *Crocoduel*.

Audrey Bourgeois in *Optigami*.

Andre the Ice Cream Man in *Glaciator 2* and *Elation*.

Markov in *Hack San*.

Nino in *Rocketear*.

Alec in *Wishmaker*.

Roland in *Simpleman* and *Dearest Family*.

Sabine in *Qilin* and *Dearest Family*.

Tom and **Gina** in *Dearest Family*.

Bob Roth in *Ephemeral* and *Migration*.

Rythm, **Agent Roger** and **Baby Auguste** in *Kuro Neko*.

The **frog child** in *Strikeback*.

Tomoe Tsurugi in *Multiplication* and *Pretension*.

Mr. Damocles in *Jubilation*.

Veronique (Grévin Museum) in *Determination*.

Nathalie in *Passion*.

Jalil Kubdel in *Reunion*.

Kim in *Derision*.

Kagami in *Protection*.

Sabrina in *Adoration*.

The Challenges Marinette / Ladybug must face in the show...

- Capturing akumas
- Keeping her identity secret
- Winning Adrien's heart
- Becoming a top designer
- Creating clothes and accessories
- Solving her friends' problems – her favorite past-time. People sometimes approach her to enlist her help, or sometimes she finds problems which the person didn't even know they had or needed solving!
- Marinette is a princess charming who wants to free Adrien from the gilded cage in which his father keeps him captive. *Miraculous* is a true **reversed** fairytale!

b. ADRIEN AGRESTE, alias CAT NOIR

Adrien's father is Gabriel, a wealthy fashion designer cum businessman cum proprietor of various brands, the most famous of which is the **Gabriel** clothes brand. Father and son live in a huge private mansion across from the Eiffel Tower! Adrien has everything he wants – except an ordinary lifestyle!

Ever since Adrien was very young, his father has been using him as his fashion brand “Gabriel” icon. Adrien models for all commercials – paper and TV.

See TV ad in “Gorizilla”, in season 2: “*Radiant... Carefree... Dreamy... ADRIEN, the Fragrance!*”

Adrien has no freedom in anything that he does. His father is cold, controlling and has no time for him. Gabriel controls everything, his son included. And, in order to protect Adrien, Gabriel refuses to let him go to school, preferring to control his homeschooling as well, away from the negative influence of the outside world.

Adrien has a responsibility to present a perfect image as the model for his father's clothing business. He'd like to rebel, to go to school, but can't because everything he does is controlled by other people (see **the Gorilla**, his bodyguard, and **Nathalie**, who used to homeschool him).

He finally manages to go to school by disobeying his father, with Nathalie's help (see second part of the “Origins” two parter).

Adrien is not mad at his father. He doesn't even hate being a model (at the beginning of the show) but he just wishes he could also go to school, like all the other kids. (see first part of the “Origins” two parter).

At school, he tries to be “normal”, to fit in without being a “celebrity”.

Since Adrien's never been to school before, he'll sometimes have funnily offbeat reactions, unaware of the social codes between people his age.

As such, Adrien always takes things literally. He's naïve and natural. Always sober and restrained, he'll never be scheming. At the start of the show, Adrien is absolutely **perfect**.

In fact, at school, some people see him as “the – too – perfect boy” (top of the class in everything, already a star, the son of a wealthy and famous man), but Marinette is the first one who sees beneath the surface of this perfect exterior.

In Marinette's eyes, he's “so cute and sensitive”, especially when she found out that he's a secret poem writer (see Bible section entitled *Marinette*). She seems to be the first one to recognize qualities in Adrien that nobody else sees. Even though she's not entirely sure what it is yet. Only problem is, she's – also – the only one who can't utter a word to him without stammering like a fool!

When he turns into Cat Noir, he has the freedom to talk and act as he wants – the exact opposite of his life as Adrien.

As a superhero, he finally feels free, and most importantly, he gets to be with the girl he loves - Ladybug.

The more Adrien discovers “normal” life and makes friends, the richer his personal life gets, the less he will feel like being a model. He’ll even find the courage to tell his father that he wants to quit modelling (in season 5’s episode “Multiplication”). He still doesn’t know what he wants to be when he grows up, but he knows he won’t be a model.

His dialogs: His sentences are always properly constructed, but they’re not too sophisticated for all that.

When he joins the “Resistance”, he goes by Comrade Burgundy.

Adrien and Marinette

Their relationship began with a misunderstanding: Marinette first thought that Adrien was a mean boy, just like his best friend Chloe.

But she’ll soon understand that Adrien is only friends with Chloe because their own parents are friends and because she’s the only girl his age Adrien has ever spent time with.

When she realizes that Adrien is a nice guy, not used to relationships with people his age, Marinette falls in love without even realizing it.

From this moment on, a strange thing happens to Marinette: she can no longer talk to Adrien without stammering (see episode “Origins”).

Adrien will always keep this initial misunderstanding in mind, thinking that Marinette feels awkward towards him. He’ll always want to prove her that he can be a good friend to her.

As for Adrien, he has a crush on Ladybug! She’s the only one he sees, even though the arrival of a new girl at school (Kagami) sows confusion in his heart.

After a brief relationship with Kagami, Adrien realizes that he has ‘special’ feelings for Marinette, the girl who’s always there at the right time to help him, give him some advice... and when Adrien/Cat Noir realizes that Ladybug will never love him, because she loves someone else... Adrien falls in love with Marinette. Season 5 follows this evolution in their relationship, all the way to their first kiss at the end of episode 523.

But Adrien’s father will always try his best to prevent Adrien from living his love story with Marinette. Indeed, Gabriel wishes for Adrien to marry Kagami one day, the daughter of his business partner Tsurugi-san.

Nathalie

Before Adrien was allowed to go to school like all kids his age, Nathalie (his father’s assistant) used to homeschool him.

She’s the one in charge of Adrien’s very tight schedule.

Despite her cold and indifferent exterior, Nathalie cares for Adrien: she’s the one who convinced Gabriel to give his son more freedom by allowing him to go to school. Nathalie gradually emerges as a surrogate mother for Adrien.

Akumatized in: Catalyst, Passion

Who's afraid of the big bodyguard?

To protect his son (Gabriel transfers his own fear of leaving the house on to Adrien), Adrien's father also hired a bodyguard (referred to as **the Gorilla** in the scripts). The "Gorilla" follows Adrien everywhere and takes him to every photo shoot, fencing lesson, to school, etc.

The bodyguard never displays the slightest bit of emotion. He never speaks. He is polite, impervious to everything, and takes his mission very seriously.

We purposefully will not develop his character beyond this mute silence: he must remain an "impenetrable block of cement". But despite all of this, we'll gradually show – through the choices he makes – that he has a big heart... and a passion for superhero action figures (see "Party Crasher" in season 3 and the Shanghai TV movie!). He also suffers from airsickness (see New York TV movie).

Adrien is constantly trying to escape from this *kind* bodyguard, to either do what he wants to do or to perform a mission as Cat Noir. But this is not always an easy feat!

Akumatized in: Gorizilla, Passion

Adrien's father does not want his son to bring anyone home. When someone manages to set foot in the Agreste mansion, it makes for a whole episode! ("Oni Chan" and "Party Crasher" in season 3, "Gabriel Agreste" in season 4, "Protection" in season 5.)

Adrien carries a smartphone; it rings, notifying him of any activity he has to honor, or some appointment, or merely a text message from his father. And just when his smartphone has been silent for a while and he heaves a sigh of relief, thinking he's dad's forgotten all about him, he usually gets swiftly called to attention again by a tooting horn or Gorilla appearing from nowhere to get him back on track again – or, at least, what his *father* considers the "right track"!

In such circumstances, it's really not easy for Adrien to switch into Cat Noir or to keep Plagg hidden from view. In a word, Adrien's life is quite a challenge in itself!

When Adrien switches to Cat Noir...

Adrien lives with his Kwami, Plagg, on a day-to-day basis.

When he needs to transform into Cat Noir, he has to say the magic words: ***Plagg, claws out!***

On these words, Plagg enters the boy's ring, which then develops a cat's paw, complete with five pads.

Adrien then converts. A black costume adorns his whole body, making him look like his favorite animal, the cat. Last, but not least, a mask appears over his face, keeping his true identity under wraps! He is now... **Cat Noir!**

It must never be forgotten that, beneath Cat Noir's mask lies Adrien. Except *this* Adrien is liberated and strong and hardened. He's in love with Ladybug and goes out of his way to try and impress her. But he tends to get a little too zealous in his endeavors, **causing disaster** in his wake.

His regalia

- His **magic ring**, which enables him to change into Cat Noir.
- His stick or wand is a **multifunctional gadget** which Cat Noir wields with exceptional skill. It just seems to be like putty in his hands, doing whatever he wants it to do! The wand is composed of three jointed segments, each about 8 inches long. Cat Noir can fold it back up and store it behind his back.

Examples:

- The size of his wand can change (like Son Goku's magic stick): it can increase and decrease in size at will,
- If he throws it, it comes flying back like a boomerang,
- He can use it like a sword...
- Or a magnet...
- He can also spin it round to parry attacks.
- He uses to make calls (Catphone mode), look for information online and find his way around any given place (with 3D maps), etc.

And a whole plethora of incredible uses that haven't yet been thought up!

His power

- **Cataclysm**

When Cat Noir calls this power up, his ring charges up with energy and, thereafter, whatever he touches becomes the victim of a catastrophe.

Examples:

If he touches a car, it falls into smithereens, as if it were breaking up under its own steam.

If he touches a wall, it collapses.

If he touches a wall socket, it blows all the fuses.

He must never touch a human being! (see “Destruction”, season 5) Or a Sentimonster (it messes it up! See “Reflekdoll” or “Queen Banana”).

Time lock: once Cat Noir uses this power, he has 5 minutes before reverting back to Adrien. His ring is seen to flash and the 5 black paw pads disappear one by one. By the time the last pad has vanished, Cat Noir automatically switches back to Adrien.

If someone manages to seize Cat Noir’s ring, it starts flashing faster, the pads disappear faster than when he’s used his Cataclysm. Cat Noir has to retrieve his ring before the last pad disappears, otherwise he’d transform back into Adrien, revealing his secret identity to the world.

Special powers

Just like Marinette, Adrien can also upgrade his kwami.

To upgrade his powers, Cat Noir has to feed his Kwami with the appropriate magic food (see “Syren” or “Frozer” in season 2) and say a magic phrase (always the same): *Plagg, Power Up!*

- Plagg changes form... and says his new name out loud, for instance: *AquaPlagg!*
- Then, Adrien says: *AquaPlagg, claws out!*
- Adrien transforms into Aquanoir: his suit now has an aquatic feature.
- His stick is upgraded too, with brand new features.

Examples of special powers:

Plagg becomes AquaPlagg, who gives the Aquanoir outfit (aquatic Cat Noir) and gives new abilities to the superhero (he can swim and breathe underwater) and his stick.

Plagg becomes PlagGlacier, who gives the IceCat suit, perfectly adapted for very cold conditions, with built-in ice skates!

When he’s in a special mode, the special Cat Noir can revert to his “regular” version by saying “AquaPlagg (for the aquatic mode, for instance), transform back!”

ALT: to gain time, Ladybug and Cat Noir can also eat a magicaron/magicamembert themselves and say “Power Up!” to transform straight into Aqua- / Ice- / Cosmo- etc. mode.

Starting from episode 523 on, Cat Noir can control his powers like adults do. He no longer transforms back after using his power. And once he’s used a Cataclysm, he can summon up another one. Endlessly.

The Kwagatama

Plagg gives his kwagatama to Adrien at the end of episode ***Reunion***, in season 5. (see Ladybug section on how this magic object works).

The Challenges Adrien/Cat Noir must face in the show...

- Win Ladybug's heart and respect. He stops trying to win her heart in season 5, once he's become aware of his love for Marinette.
- Protect his secret identity
- Fit in and make friends at school

c. Relationship between Ladybug and Cat Noir

Cat Noir and Ladybug do the same job.

Ladybug thinks she doesn't need any help, that she can manage perfectly well on her own; after all, she's the only one capable of capturing the akuma!

Ladybug makes decisions without necessarily consulting Cat Noir beforehand. She's independent. But she does, of course, sometimes make a wrong decision or a blunder. Cat Noir then swaggers in. Which, of course, never fails to get on Ladybug's nerves!

Let's not forget that in the beginning (see episode "Origins"), Ladybug didn't want to be a superheroine while Cat Noir had no trouble picturing himself as the leader. But she soon turned out to be a born leader and a great strategist.

Regarding Cat Noir's bragging, Ladybug might say: "Well, since you're such a big shot, *you* do it by yourself!" But even then, she'd watch how he goes about it and would always come to his aid in the end. (see episode "Origins": the only reason why she finally and definitively accepted her role as a superheroine was to save her friend Alya and Cat Noir).

Ladybug will never let Cat Noir down. Her mission is to help or rescue people... even Cat Noir! For under Ladybug's mask, there's always Marinette and her big heart.

Regardless of any conflict between them, during the episode, in the end, it must be made obvious that Ladybug thinks to herself: "It's a good thing Cat Noir was there, after all!" But she must never say that to him directly, of course – or only as an exception!

Cat Noir is always happy to be there, to lend Ladybug a helping paw, both because an army of two is better than an army of one... and because he likes to flirt with her! He's in love with her, and admires her skills, to boot.

What Ladybug finds annoying about Cat Noir:

- He swaggers and brags too much
- He's too 'sticky' and imposing: she's sure she can manage without him,
- She hates it when he tries to hit on her.

What Ladybug likes about Cat Noir:

- He'll never let her down; she can depend on him to the end.
- He *is* pretty skillful!!!

Cat Noir calls Ladybug "Bugaboo".

Ladybug calls Cat Noir "kitty" or other cute cat-related nicknames.

Of course, their relationship evolves over the seasons. Starting from season 5 on, they become a duo with any amorous ambiguity. They're true, supportive friends.

Powers evolution / Ladybug and Cat Noir's suits

Season 2

Ladybug and Cat Noir become **Aquabug** and **Aquanoir** in *Syren* and *Heroes' Day* and *Miracle Queen* (season 3). Please note! Tikki and Plagg also evolve into aqua versions: **Aquaplagg** and **Aquatikki**.

Ladybug and Cat Noir become **Ladyice** and **Icecat** in *Frozer*. Please note! Tikki and Plagg become **Plagglacier** and **Stalactikki**.

Season 3

Ladybug gets Plagg and Cat Noir's Miraculous while Cat Noir gets Tikki and Ladybug's Miraculous for one episode, *Reflekdoll*. They become **Mister Bug** and **Lady Noire**!

Marinette merges / unifies Mullo and Tikki to become **Multimouse Bug**, but also **Multimouse Cat** when she unifies Plagg and Multimouse, in *Kwamibuster*.

Marinette merges / unifies Longg and Tikki to become **Dragon Bug** in *Miracle Queen_ The battle of the Miraculous_ Part 2*.

Adrien merges / unifies Plagg and Sass to become **Snake Noir** in *Miracle Queen_ The battle of the Miraculous_ Part 2*.

Season 4

Ladybug and Cat Noir are back as **Aquabug** and **Aquanoir** in *Mr. Pigeon 72* and *Ephemeral*.

Ladybug and Cat Noir become **Cosmobug** and **AstroCat** in *Ephemeral*.

Marinette merges / unifies Pollen and Tikki to become **Beebug** in *Optigami*.

Marinette merges / unifies Kaalki and Tikki to become **Pegabug** in *Sentibubbler* and *Strikeback*.

Marinette merges / unifies Fluff, Kaalki and Tikki to become **Pennybug** in *Strikeback_Shadow Moth's Final Attack_ Part 2*.

Season 5

Adrien merges / unifies Plagg and Fluff to become **Rabbit Noir** in *Evolution*.

Ladybug and Cat Noir become **Cosmobug** and **Astrocat** again in *Multiplication*, *Intuition*.

Ladybug becomes **LadyIce** again in *Destruction*.

Ladybug and Cat Noir become **Lady Noire** and **Mister Bug** again in *Passion*.

Ladybug merges the Miraculous of the Ladybug and the Black Cat in the season 5 final two-parter to become **BugNoire**.

N.B.!!

↪ Adrien doesn't have a clue that Marinette is Ladybug, and vice versa.

↪ Adrien and Marinette (i.e. when they're their normal selves) don't have any superpowers. These powers remain latent or inactive until their Kwamis enter their magic objects (ring and earring, respectively).

[Also, note that Adrien's ring and Marinette's earring don't look at all the same when they're in their regular lives as when they're in superhero mode. There's even a third design for their jewels, in their "origins" mode, when they're in the Miracle Box of the box in which they're kept before being put back on.]

LADYBUG AND CAT NOIR'S WEAKNESSES

The **Miraculous** are both a strength and a weakness, an Achilles' heel that could bring them down if misused.

There are three possible ways to unmask or defeat our heroes:

- Confiscate their Miraculous (yes, it can be done, potentially!) This would be their downfall: without their Miraculous, they would revert back to their normal selves immediately (time lock). But, to do that, they must be completely impeded.
- If the enemy is unable to get his/her hands on their Miraculous, they can force the heroes to use their powers then hold them in place for 5 minutes, at which point they will change back to their regular selves (see "Lady Wifi" episode, season 1).
- Get the Miraculous holder angry to akumatize them and become able to control them (see season 3 "Cat Blanc").

However, their masks and costumes cannot be removed as they are of magical origin.

2. THE BIG BAD BADDIES

a. GABRIEL AGRESTE / HAWK MOTH (seasons 1 to 3) / SHADOW MOTH (season 4) / MONARCH (season 5)

Hawk Moth is the *nec plus ultra* in baddies!

Nobody knows who he really is. Ladybug and Cat Noir know that he's the one responsible for unleashing the akumas into the streets of Paris but are hard-pushed for any information on him. They've talked to him once and seen him in a symbolic form when they first fought against Stoneheart (second part of the "Origins" two parter), then they saw him again as an illusion in season 2's "Volpina" and season 4's "Strikeback", in the flesh in season 3's "Heroes' Day" and season 5's "Evolution", "Destruction", "Illusion".

Ladybug and Cat Noir are always trying to find out who the big villain is and are always looking for clues to find out who is behind the akumatized villains. They'll sometimes come really close to unmasking him but will always fail in the end. In the first episode of season 2, "The Collector", they'll be this close to finding out his real identity, but Hawk Moth will manage to keep his secret and be more above suspicion than ever.

In season 1, no one knows who he really is, not even the viewers.

Episode 201 (*The Collector*) reveals **to the public** that the face behind Hawk Moth's mask is... Adrien's father, Gabriel Agreste.

Gabriel is a talented fashion designer. People are fascinated by him, not only because of the originality of his designs but also because of the mystery that surrounds him.

He purposefully nurtures this mystery regarding his public persona and his work method.

Gabriel likes to control, whether it be his company, his designs, his image... or his son.

He is cold and business like, even when talking to his son, and has a temper when provoked. Most people find him very intimidating and are a little scared of him.

Adrien is not allowed to invite any friends back to their mansion.

When he uses the elevator hidden in his study, Gabriel disappears into his lair, where he turns into a supervillain thanks to his kwami Nooroo (see episode "Origins"). To transform, he has to say the magic words: **Nooroo, dark wings rise!**

HIS POWER

Hawk Moth has the power to create akumas and control them from a distance (which also means controlling the akumatized person remotely). The akumas allow him to create villains.

HIS OBJECTIVE

Hawk Moth has to rely on the akumatized character (who is free to roam around Paris) in order to achieve his aim, which entails confiscating Ladybug's and Cat Noir's Miraculous.

Why does he want them? Because these two Miraculous can merge to give the most powerful Miraculous ever, which generates a Kwami who gives the power to make a wish. And Gabriel's wish is to wake his wife, Emilie, who's been in an enchanted slumber for a year. (Writers' note: to the characters in the show, she's officially deceased. Adrien doesn't know.)

Hawk Moth's main objective: to merge Ladybug and Cat Noir's Miraculous so that he can have his wish granted!

Indeed, the owner of the two most powerful jewels of the Miracle Box will be able to merge the Miraculous by reciting a magic formula from the grimoire (the one Master Fu got back at the end of season 1), and thus, to have a wish granted.

Noteworthy: Gabriel Agreste / Hawk Moth owns the Grimoire but he doesn't know how to decipher it (he doesn't know the magic words), for only a guardian like Master Fu can. As such, if he ever were to obtain the Miraculous, he couldn't merge them.

Hence a 2nd objective for Gabriel / Hawk Moth: he must find the Guardian of the Grimoire to force him to reveal the magic formula to him.

In season 2, in the *Sapotis* and *Queen Bee* episodes where new superheroes will come to Ladybug and Cat Noir's help thanks to the Miraculous of the Fox and the Bee, Gabriel / Hawk Moth will understand that the Guardian of the Miraculous is somewhere in Paris and that he owns some other magic jewels.

In season 3's *Feast*, he will discover the Guardian's face. Hawk Moth is getting closer...

Cold, calculating and ruthless, his sole focus is on destroying Ladybug and taking her and Cat Noir's powers for himself

The way he goes about trying to achieve his purpose is by akumatizing people. He endows them with the power to appease any revengeful desires they may have, by becoming super-villains. But, in exchange, they must agree to a **deal** (under duress). If the akumatized character refuses to agree to the deal, which entails bringing back the Miraculous, Hawk Moth can exert his telekinetic power on him or her (see *Darth Vader*) by freezing him/her on the spot and using force by remote means; he can even threaten to take the person's akuma away.

He can't use his telekinetic power too often as it drains him physically.

HOW HE GOES ABOUT IT

1. Hawk Moth senses negative emotions in Paris.
2. He scours the city and its inhabitants from the comfort of his lair.
3. He identifies his prey and releases an akuma in their direction.
4. The akuma takes possession of the prey via their most-cherished object.

5. Hawk Moth talks to his prey, informing them of the rules and making his deal...
6. Then the akumatized person transforms into a super-villain.

Hawk Moth can only akumatized one person at a time.

He can re-akumatize one of his former victims, which can go two ways:

- The prey is feeling the same negative emotions and turns into the same villain again (Example: Reflekta turns into Reflekta again in *Reflekdoll*).
- The prey is feeling a different negative emotion and turns into a new villain (Example: Sabrina is Vanisher in *Antibug*, but she'll turn into *Miraculer* in season 3).

An akuma that has been released but not captured and purified by Ladybug can multiply (see *Origins* and *Stoneheart*).

Megakumas (from season 4 on): In episode 421 (*Dearest Family*), he creates a Megakuma to fight Ladybug's Magical Charm and becomes able to re-akumatize whoever he wants. From this episode on, he will only create Megakumas (even if his victim's never been akumatized before).

THE AKUMATIZED PEOPLE

Every episode, **Hawk Moth** finds someone with a negative emotion, in Paris.

He then unleashes an **Akuma** (*a black, evil butterfly*) onto an object that belongs to the chosen person. He or she then becomes a super-villain.

The object he chooses to akumatize is always something dear to the character, such as a personal diary, a jewel, a key-ring or an autographed photo, etc.

When the person is "contaminated", he or she inherits a super-villain costume. He or she is then said to be "**akumatized**".

The akumatized person's motive is revenge.

Hawk Moth gives the person the means with which to seek revenge beyond his/her wildest dreams.

Hawk Moth has the power to akumatize absolutely anyone, anywhere, from a distance. All this entails is the person's cherished object being taken over by a black butterfly/akuma.

In exchange for the power imparted by Hawk Moth, the akumatized person must bring Ladybug and Cat Noir's Miraculous back to him.

The only way to defeat an akumatized character is by breaking his/her cherished object, in order to release the akuma encapsulated inside it. Ladybug can then capture the akuma inside her yoyo.

When this happens, the super-villain loses his/her powers, along with the baddy costume and mask, and reverts back to his/her natural self.

He/she has no recollection of what he/she did while being a baddy.

N.B.: The akumatized people are not always teenage high school students. They may be anyone from outside school and of any age. But, wherever possible, we must create a connection between the akumatized person and Marinette/Ladybug.

Whatever happens, the bad guy's behavior always has repercussions on Marinette's own life or on that of her friends.

REVEALING HIS IDENTITY

Thanks to the revelation of the supervillain's secret identity, we can now add dramatic irony to some episodes. When the opportunity presents itself, we'll:

- Deal with his secret and his double life, as we already do with Marinette / Ladybug and Adrien / Cat Noir.
- Add intensity to the Adrien / Gabriel or the Marinette / Gabriel scenes.

Examples: episode 210 (*Gorizilla*) where Gabriel / Hawk Moth suspects Adrien of being Cat Noir, keeping the audience on the edge of their seats throughout the whole episode.

Episode 201 (*The Collector*) where Marinette gives the Grimoire back to Gabriel, unaware that she's standing in front of her enemy, Hawk Moth!

Of course, Marinette and Adrien will still not know who Hawk Moth really is. Once again, the viewer will be the only one in the know...

Until season 5, when Ladybug discovers Monarch/Gabriel Agreste's secret identity!

Adrien / Cat Noir will not be present when she does. Ladybug will be in possession of Cat Noir's Miraculous.

Adrien will never know that his father was Hawk Moth / Shadow Moth / Monarch.

GABRIEL'S KWAMI: NOOROO

Held captive by Gabriel and forced to obey him, Nooroo can't do anything but wait for someone to come and free him.

GABRIEL'S ALLY: NATHALIE

Gabriel Agreste hired Nathalie when his wife became ill. She was a hunter of magical artifacts whom Mrs. Tsurugi had introduced to Gabriel and Emilie.

Ever since Adrien's mother disappeared, Nathalie has been taking care of everything for Gabriel, including Adrien's education.

Nathalie supports him and, thanks to her, Gabriel can focus on his objective: to "bring back" his wife.

Nathalie knows about Gabriel/Hawk Moth's secret.

He is very grateful of everything Nathalie has done for him so far.

As for Nathalie, she slowly fell in love with Gabriel, a man ready for anything to save his wife. She admires his pugnacity, his loyalty and his love for his wife.

HAWK MOTH'S PLAN (Season 1/Season 2)

At the end of season 2, we will show in a two parter (*Heroes' Day*) that Hawk Moth's secret plan was to bring back all the previously akumatized people at once and to take the lead of this army to defeat Ladybug and Cat Noir.

For the first time ever, Hawk Moth will physically confront Ladybug and Cat Noir.

To reakumatize previous villains, he uses Nathalie (with her agreement) by akumatizing her into some sort of a super assistant who can boost his powers ("Catalyst").

Thanks to her, Hawk Moth reakumatizes several people at the same time.

But his plan will fail in the face of the combined forces of Ladybug, Cat Noir, Rena Rouge (Alya/the fox), Queen Bee (Chloe/the bee) and Carapace (Nino/the turtle).
Hawk Moth is about to be unmasked...

However, thanks to the – surprise – intervention of Nathalie, who transforms into **Mayura** thanks to the Peafowl Miraculous, he manages to escape...

In season 3, Hawk Moth can thus count on Mayura's help whenever he needs it.

NATHALIE becomes MAYURA

Mayura, who deploys her feather fan, symbolizes the awakening of nature, birth. The Miraculous of the Peafowl has the power to give body to emotions and desires by substantiating them in the form of fantastic creatures.

Mayura can't use her power to its fullest because the Miraculous is damaged! Only a Guardian like Master Fu could fix it.

Mayura can only create a creature to accompany the person touched by the amok. The creature is called a **Sentimonster**.

Nathalie's secret plan/objective

For now, Nathalie never acts alone because she obeys Gabriel, with whom she's secretly in love.

But, of course, she has a secret plan.

Nathalie wants the Miraculous for herself so that she can make the wish that Gabriel falls in love with her (because he's still in love with his wife.)

HAWK MOTH / MAYURA

When a villain/creature duo (akumatized person/sentimonster) needs to be created, Hawk Moth sends an akuma (a black butterfly), Mayura sends an amok (a feather). The akuma enters an object while the amok enters another one, both from the same person feeling a negative emotion.

Example: Reflekta and Reflekdoll, with Juleka (*Reflekdoll* episode).

HAWK MOTH'S NEW PLAN

Hawk Moth's new secret plan is to (in addition to seizing the Miraculous) find the Guardian of the Miraculous and capture him so that he can reveal the secrets of the grimoire to him. Using this knowledge, they will be able to fix the Peafowl Miraculous and to upgrade their powers, like Ladybug and Cat Noir are already doing.

HAWK MOTH – FROM SEASON 4 ON – SHADOW MOTH

At the end of season 3, Gabriel (Hawk Moth) and Nathalie (Mayura) got hold of Fu's translation of the grimoire. They were thus able to fix the Peafowl Miraculous and can now use it without risk.

Aiming to extend his powers and step up his fight to seize Ladybug and Cat Noir's Miraculous, Gabriel decides to merge the Butterfly and Peafowl Miraculous. He turns into **SHADOW MOTH!**

His power is a fusion of Hawk Moth and the Peafowl's powers (see power fusions implanted in season 3).

He can send akumas and/or Sentimonsters, at the same time or separately, to either the same person or different people.

THE SENTIMONSTERS – USER MANUAL

The Peacock Miraculous **confers the power to give body to emotions by substantiating them in the form of fantastic beasts.**

Once a person has been touched by a peacock feather (called “amok”), a creature appears.

The person who gets amokized can shape any creature they want, it's their creation. Usually, the creature is connected to their lexical field, desires, emotions. The creature takes shape outside the object in which the feather (amok) has landed.

They are living creatures, controlled by whoever has the object in which the amok is (in our vocabulary, it's called *link object*. Example: Nathalie's tablet in *Optigami*).

The creature is manipulated like a puppet by the person who's created it. They're connected to each other.

For instance, we can see the person who owns the link object dictate the creature's words.

Since Sentimonsters are magic creations from the Miracle Box, they can merge with other Miraculous:

- Sentimonsters can be akumatized (ex: SentiGabriel becomes the Collector in *Gabriel Agreste*).
- Sentimonsters can merge with other Miraculous (ex: SentiNino becomes Carapace in *Optigami*. Same principle as when Ladybug merges her Miraculous with the Dragon and becomes Dragonbug in *Miracle Queen*).

Limits:

- Without a link object, without an amok, a Sentimonster ceases to exist.
- The holder of the Peacock Miraculous (Shadow Moth or Mayura) can only create one at a time.
- The holder of the Miraculous (Shadow Moth or Mayura) can remove the amok by snapping their fingers (like Hawk Moth does with an akuma in episode 325 *Hearthunter*).

A Sentimonster can take on a life on its own in three scenarios:

- If Cat Noir cataclysms the Sentimonster. It becomes **out of control** for the owner of the link object. (As seen in *Reflekdoll* and *Queen Banana*) – Not recommended, as it makes things worst, chaos-wise. Cat Noir now knows this.
- If the link object is lost, the creature is no longer controlled by anyone. (As seen in season 3's *Feast* episode. Master Fu has lost the object in which he had placed the amok. The object was swallowed by the greedy sentimonster!)
- The creature can develop a *form of intelligence* like a baby turning into a child or a real animal evolving. This *form of intelligence* is based on the emotion that created it. (Ex: *Feast* is always hungry).

In Optigami:

- We see that Optigami is created by Nathalie, who controls it via her link object – the tablet. Even when she no longer has the Peacock Miraculous, she can still control it. It's her sentimonster, which she leads via her tablet.
- Optigami enters the Turtle Miraculous at the end of the episode because, for one thing, it's a magic object from the Miracle Box, but also because it's in its nature to merge with things to hide and watch, as we'll have seen throughout the episode. It will even be illustrated at the opening, with examples in which it's followed various Miraculous holders.)

Sentimonsters created by Nathalie/Mayura to go with the akumatized villains:

Hawk Moth's Sentimonster, in *Heroes' Day* (season 3 two-parter finale) and *The Battle of the Miraculous* (season 3 two-parter finale).

Reflekdoll, Reflekta's sentimonster in *Reflekdoll*.

Feast, Master Fu's sentimonster in *Feast*.

Ladybug, a sentimonster created by Mayura in *Ladybug*.

Sentimonsters created by Shadow Moth/Monarch:

Lighteye, Truth's sentimonster in *Truth*.

Mega Leech, Malediktator's sentimonster in *Mega Leech*.

Guiltip, Reflekta's sentimonster in *Guiltip*.

Optigami, sentimonster created by Mayura in *Optigami*.

SentiAlec, sentimonster created by Shadow Moth in *Optigami*.

SentiNino, then **SentiCarapace**, sentimonster created by Shadow Moth in *Optigami*.

Sentibubbler, sentimonster created by Shadow Moth in *Sentibubbler*.

Hack San, sentimonster created by Shadow Moth in *Hack San*.

Lollipop Boy is back in *Qilin and Ephemeral*.

Kuro Neko, Rhythm's sentimonster in *Kuro Neko*.

Strikeback, Risk's sentimonster in Shadow Moth's Final attack (season 4 two-parter finale).

Sentimonster created by Argos (Felix):

Red Moon, in *Emotion*.

From SHADOW MOTH to MONARCH (Episode 426 → Season 5)

At the end of episode 426, when Shadow Moth has just seized Ladybug's Miraculous, he will tell the people of Paris that he now goes by "Monarch".

Since this is a public announcement, we can consider that, from that moment on, all the characters in the show will know that they must now call him Monarch.

Here is how his powers work:

Gabriel has melted all the jewels to turn them into rings. (Episode 503)

Each ring bears the seal of its corresponding kwami.

Each of these rings is linked to its kwami.

The kwamis are all trapped in techno-magical cages in Monarch's lair.

When Gabriel needs a power, he sticks his ring bearing a kwami's seal to the cage of the kwami.

Then, he says the magic words: *Name of the kwami*, your power is now mine!

The cage transfers the kwami's energy into the ring, that lights up.

Monarch can thus use the power of that Miraculous without needing to merge with a transformation.

If he wants to transfer the power of a Miraculous over to one of his akumatized villains, Monarch says: Transfer!

The only way for the akumatized villain to get a Miraculous power is by owning an Alliance ring (or several, see Bibou in season 5's "Handover").

When Monarch says "transfer", we zoom in on the akumatized person's ring. We enter the ring and see an electronic component light up in the color of the transferred Miraculous.

Then, Monarch says the magic words: I am transferring to you the essence of the Miraculous of Elation (for example), which will allow you to XXX...

The transfer of a Miraculous power to an akumatized villain is completely invisible to outside observers. The same goes for the holder.

From season 5 on, to dispatch a Megakuma, Monarch uses the Miraculous of the Horse. Using the "Voyage" portal, he can reach his target in a flash, wherever they

are, with no chance of escape. He could also have used the Miraculous of the Rabbit to make his akuma travel through time, but he lost it in episode 501... too bad!

The fall of Monarch

After an epic fight during which she will make him renounce his wish and his Miraculous, Ladybug will recover the Miracle Box. She will defeat Hawk Moth by merging Ladybug and Cat Noir's powers.

But, while defeated, Gabriel will have kept her from recovering the Miraculous of the Butterfly... by throwing it away.

Season 5 cliffhanger: someone will seize the Miraculous of the Butterfly. And that someone will be Lila, who has been found to be much more evil and manipulative than Gabriel Agreste ever was.

b. SPECIAL SUPERVILLAINS

Season 2

Hawk Moth gets upgraded into **Scarlet Moth** in *Heroes' Day, part 2* (he will fight against the 5 superheroes - Rena Rouge, Carapace, Queen Bee, Ladybug and Cat Noir)

Season 3

Desperada is a supervillain designed after Vivica (winner of the comic con contest). Cat Noir gets akumatized and becomes **Cat Blanc** in the eponymous episode. Chloe becomes **Miracle Queen** in the eponymous episode.

Season 4

Master Fu gets akumatized into **Furious Fu** in the eponymous episode.
Hawk Moth gets upgraded into **Shadow Noir** in *Ephemeral*.

Season 5

Veronique (Grévin Museum) is akumatized into **Manipula** in *Determination* and fights alongside 17 superheroes against Ladybug and Cat Noir!
A Tsurugi spaceship piloted by Claudie Kante (Max's mom) is akumatized into **Bugfighter** in *Intuition*.

THE ICONIC VILLAINS ARE BACK

Season 2

Season 2's finale *Heroes' Day* will feature 29 villains (!!!) opposite 5 superheroes, 3 of which will get akumatized! (Epic!):

Volpina (akumatized Ladybug – Volpina's illusion)	Lila Ladybug
Catalyst + Mayura (Scarlet Moth + sentimonster)	Nathalie Hawk Moth
Prime Queen	Nadia Chamack
Guitar Villain + Fang	Jagged Stone
Frightningale	Clara Nightingale
Horrificator	Mylene
Stoneheart	Ivan
Gamer	Max
Princess Fragrance	Rose
Dark Cupid	Kim
The Mime	Fred Haprele
Vanisher	Sabrina
Gorizilla	Gorilla
Stormy Weather	Aurore Boreale
Riposte	Kagami
Pharaoh	Jalil
Rogercop	Roger
Style Queen	Audrey Bourgeois
Malediktator	Andre Bourgeois

Despair Bear	Jean-Something
Queen Wasp	Queen Bee
Rena Rage	Rena Rouge
Shellshock	Carapace
Animan	Otis
Syren	Ondine
Frozer	Philippe
Gigantitan	Auguste

Season 3

Reflekta comes back in *Reflekdoll*

Stormy Weather is back in *Stormy Weather 2*

Gamer is back in *Gamer 2.0*

During the fight, many villains will come back too: **The Mime, Pharaoh, Mr. Pigeon, Dark Cupid, Befana, Dark Owl, Frozer, Riposte, Gorizilla, Stoneheart, Reflekta, The Puppeteer, Stormy Weather, Anansi, Lady Wifi, Timebreaker, Weredad, Frightningale, Troublemaker, Zombizou, Volpina, Antibug, Sapotis, The Bubbler, Syren, Style Queen, Guitar Villain, Princess Fragrance, Sandboy, Robustus, Despair Bear.**

The Puppeteer comes back in *The Puppeteer 2*, as do **The Bubbler** and **Lady Wifi**, among other wax statues turned villains in that “Grevin Museum” episode (written to promote Ladybug and Cat Noir’s statues debut in the museum). (Season 3)

The Punishers Trio (Lady Wifi, Reflekta & Princess Fragrance) in *Felix*.

Season 4

Gang of Secrets (**Lady Wifi, Reflekta, Princess Fragrance, Horrificator & Timebreaker**) in the eponymous episode.

Mr. Pigeon is back in *Mr. Pigeon 72*.

The Collector is back in *Gabriel Agreste*.

Malediktator is back in *Mega Leech*.

Reflekta is back in *Guiltrip*.

Guitar Villain and **Captain Hardrock** are back in *Crocoduel*.

Style Queen is back in *Optigami*.

Glaciator is back in *Glaciator 2*.

Robustus is back in *Hack San*.

Bakerix, Befana, Weredad and **Qilin** are back in *Dearest Family*.

The Lollipop Monster, the Mime, Syren and various other former supervillains are back in *Ephemeral*.

Rogercop and **Gigantitan** are back in *Kuro Neko*.

Season 5

Ikari Dozen (a variation of **Ikari Gozen**), in *Multiplication*

Darker Owl (Dark Owl + power of the pig) in *Jubilation*.

The **Collector** is back in *Illusion*.

Pharaoh is back in *Reunion*.

Glaciator is back in *Elation*.

Sole Destroyer (a variation of **Sole Crusher**), in *Deflagration*

Dark Humor (a variation of **Dark Cupid**) in *Derision*

Riposte Prime (a variation of **Riposte**), in *Protection*.

Vanisher is back in *Adoration*.

Matagi Gozen (a variation of **Ikari Gozen**), in *Pretension*

Reflekta is back in *Confrontation*

c. THE BIG BADDY (S6) – LILA / IRIS VERDI / CHRYSALIS

Lila has a bad habit of lying through her teeth and making up the most exciting stories about herself. She will never forgive Ladybug for humiliating her in front of Adrien (season 1, *Volpina*).

When Lila discovers that Marinette too knows that she is lying, Lila immediately considers her as her enemy. Lila is, first and foremost, a villain who doesn't need a suit.

Akumatized in: Volpina, Heroes' Day, Chameleon, Revelation

Lila becomes the new main villain of the show when she seizes Gabriel Agreste's Miraculous in episode *Re-Creation (The Final Day – part 2)*. She becomes **CHRYSALIS**.

Season 5 reveals that Lila has several families, and several identities. To create real/fake identities for Lila: flower name in French + color name in Italian.

MOM 1 – Mrs. Rossi, the ambassador

In late season 2 (episode 225) / early season 3 (episode 308), we discover Lila's first place of residence. Her bedroom window overlooks the Place des Vosges square. This place is Mrs. Rossi's apartment. She is the Italian ambassador in Paris and is seen for the first time in episode 224.

She's a very busy mom, never at home, who gives Lila everything she wants to make up for never being here.

At the end of season 4 (episode 425), Mrs. Rossi takes Lila to the train station.

MOM 2 – "Mother"

In episode 512 (*Perfection*), Lila speaks on the phone with a "new mom" whom she calls "mother" (not "mom"). Please note: use a comedian with a voice that differs from Mrs. Rossi's, a very specific voice, if possible, to help distinguish the characters.

The other characteristics of this character are still TBD.

Lila has this mother believe that she's on a mission in the savanna.

To this mother, Lila's name is... Cerise!

IDENTITY 2 – CERISE

In episode 521 (*Confrontation*), we find out that Lila is registered at another school, where she has other friends. In that school, she gets by Cerise, and she is class rep.

MOM 3 – Deaf Mom

In episode 512 (*Perfection*), we see Lila in a new room where she's shown cutting Marinette out of a photo taken from a distance by herself.

We'll see this same room again in episode 520 (*Revelation*), as we discover the mom with whom Lila lives here. Lila calls her "Mom". This "mom" is deaf and only speaks using sign language.

Lila has this mother believe that she's a film actress.

To this mom, Lila's name is... Iris!

IDENTITY 3 – IRIS VERDI

In the season 5 two-parter finale, we discover that Lila pretends to be Iris Verdi around Mr. Damocles, who registers her for the next school year.

3. SECONDARY HEROES

a. ALYA CESAIRE – “Stay connected!”

Alya Césaire is *Marinette’s best friend*.

Alya has been Marinette’s BFF since day one... in Year 9!

Inquisitive (not to say nosy), Alya is striving towards becoming a prominent news reporter. She runs the high school blog. Her ultimate goal is to **sniff out a scoop!** She wants to obtain an exclusive interview with Ladybug, first and foremost, but also wants one with Cat Noir – because he’s so adorable! (Until, of course, she falls for Nino in season 1, see *Animan*.)

Alya has a large family. Her parents hail from Réunion island. Her mother **Marlena** is a chef at Mr. Bourgeois’ Palace, and her father **Otis** is a zookeeper (akumatized in “Animan”).

Alya has 3 sisters - **Ella** and **Etta**, her younger twin sisters (making Alya an expert when it comes to handling unruly kids), and **Nora**, her big sister. Nora is a 7-feet-tall, slender accomplished athlete (French boxing). She wears her hair pulled back and wants people to call her *Anansi*, as a reference to the folktale character. She wears a little diamond necklace in the shape of a spider. Nora is overprotective of Alya (see season 2 *Anansi*).

Unlike Marinette, Alya **thinks before she acts**, even though she thinks fast!

She’s frank, straight and to the point and is intolerant of injustice.

Her catchphrase sums up her values. It’s a quote from her favorite American superhero Majestia (but that was before Ladybug showed up, of course!)

“All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good people do nothing.” The quote actually belongs to Edmond Burke.

Alya may come across as a bit tough but is always ready to publicly defend any underdogs, no matter how strong the opponent.

No kid gloves are needed when conversing with her: she likes things to be out in the open and expressed frankly. Never lie to her. She hates to lie. (This great strength of hers will be challenged in season 4 (*Rocketear, Strikeback*).)

Alya is fascinated by Ladybug. True to her habit of always creating blogs for things she’s fascinated by, she’s created a blog entirely dedicated to the superheroine: the **Ladyblog**. She tries to gather as much information as she can on this mysterious superheroine, but this sometimes leads her a little too close to the bad guys, into the extreme danger zone.

In the course of her investigations, Alya may get a little too close to the truth, almost jeopardizing her best friend’s identity secret. But, of course, this will never actually happen!

And even if it did, Marinette would simply deny it as she will never reveal her secret. (*Sapotis*, season 2.)

Alya’s relationship with her classmates:

Alya doesn't like immature or clownish kids. Chloé hates her. Sabrina fears her. She considers herself more mature than the other kids and feels she has more life experience than them, as if she'd already done everything.

Lexical field:

Reporter, investigator, "cool".

Favorite expression:

(when making a video for the Ladyblog)

Yo Peeps! Alya here, bringing you the one and only Ladyblog!

Don't blink now!

Stay connected!

Akumatized in: Lady Wifi, Oblivio (with Nino), Felix, Gang of Secrets

When she joins the "Resistance", she goes by Comrade Beurre Maître d'Hôtel.

Rena Rouge, the Fox superheroine (akumatized name: Rena Rage / camouflage version in season 4: Rena Furtive).

In season 2, Marinette will entrust Alya with the Fox Miraculous for one mission (episode 212 *Sapotis*.) Alya will thus realize how important it is for a superhero to keep their real identity a secret.

After that experience, Alya will have a new wish: to help Ladybug and Cat Noir unmask (and defeat) Hawk Moth. To that end, she starts investigating the Miraculous (see *Feast*).

From then on, Ladybug will call on Rena Rouge several times in hardship cases (*Syren* episode, *Heroes' Day* two parter). She will eventually entrust the Fox Miraculous to Alya permanently in season 4 (*Optigami*). Alya will give it back to her in *Strikeback*, just before Shadow Moth seizes the Miraculous.

In seasons 4 and 5, Marinette will even entrust her own Ladybug Miraculous to Alya, who will become Scarabella for a mission (see *Hack-San* and *Revelation*.) In *The Kwamis' Choice*, Tikki herself will pick Alya as her new holder... for the duration of a two-parter!

Akumatized in: Mayura

Rena Rouge's Kwami Trixx

Trixx is Rena Rouge/Alya's magic creature

Trixx is a manipulative kwami! He knows how to get what he wants in a sly way.

The Challenges she faces...

- Getting an exclusive interview with Ladybug... and Cat Noir! (season 1)
- Learning more about the Miraculous and unmasking Hawk Moth
- Helping the superheroes by becoming Rena Rouge, the Fox superheroine!

The Relationship between Marinette and Alya...

Alya tries hard to help Marinette overcome her extreme shyness with regards to Adrien.

Starting from episode *Gang of Secrets* (season 4), where she finds out that Marinette is Ladybug, Alya will help her keep her secret and will be here to share the toughness of her friend's task, her qualms, to cheer her up, support her...

b. CHLOE BOURGEOIS – “Paris revolves around me!”

Chloe Bourgeois, the super brat.

Chloe Bourgeois is the spoilt-brat-daughter of the mayor of Paris' 21st arrondissement. He also happens to be the rich owner of the “Grand Paris” luxury hotel.

She is cute, wealthy, shallow, and a pretentious and capricious poser. She's often mean. A lost cause.

You're better off on her right side than in her bad books.

She can use her very fat bank account to get her own way. (*Mr. Pigeon*, season 1). She gladly uses her position for her own benefit, such as securing a parking spot for the teacher in return for a good grade or threatening the school's principal to call her father (the Mayor) if he refuses to do as he's told (*Lady Wifi*, season 1, *Despair Bear*, season 2).!

She hates Marinette, who's been her punching bag since Kindergarten. She simply calls her “Dupain-Cheng” ou “the baker girl”. She sees her as a rival, because she's realized that Marinette is in love with Adrien, which she deems inconceivable: Adrien shares the same social status as her, not Marinette.

Chloe's relationship with the rest of the class:

“Adri-kins” is the only classmate she takes into consideration. She has a peculiar relationship with Sabrina: she can't do without her but she's always reproaching her. Without Sabrina, Chloe wouldn't be Chloe. Sabrina is her underling. In season 5, Chloe grows closer to Lila, who manipulates her to make Marinette's life a nightmare. Chloe becomes increasingly mean and out-of-control.

Relationship between Chloe and Adrien

Adrien is rich and famous: she has to get her claws into him!

Their parents know each other: Audrey Bourgeois is the one who discovered Gabriel Agreste and made it possible for him to become the influential fashion designer he is now. As such, Chloe and Adrien have known each other since kindergarten and often hang out together at receptions, galas and other posh social gatherings.

Chloe would love to marry Adrien someday, but this idea has never crossed Adrien's mind. He's known Chloe forever and until he started school, she was his only friend his age... But he will never be in love with her.

Unlike Marinette, Chloe has no problem talking to Adrien.

Chloe has found out that Marinette has a crush on Adrien, but she will never tell him. She doesn't want to help Marinette in any way! (See *Animaestro*)

When he finds out that Chloe is the cause of Marinette's trauma, which keeps her from telling Adrien how she feels, he tells Chloe that they will never be friends again.

Lexical field:

Snobby, affected language. Mean, scornful, well educated, bourgeois (no grammatical contractions) – she’s never afraid to speak her mind, directly and with zero sensitivity.

Favorite expression:

Ridiculous! Utterly ridiculous!

Akumatized in: Antibug, Queen Banana, Penaltteam, Revolution

Chloe becomes Queen Bee, the Bee superhero.

In the special season 2 two parter (*The Battle of the Queens*), Ladybug will find herself in trouble and alone, without Cat Noir, facing an exceptional adversary: Style Queen.

Master Fu gives Marinette / Ladybug the mission of choosing a new superheroine... but Marinette / Ladybug loses the Miraculous (which she wanted to give to Alya). In the second part of the special episode, she’ll find out that the person who found the Miraculous is the worst person ever: Chloe Bourgeois!

Chloe thus turns into the Bee superheroine, **Queen Bee**.

Queen Bee’s motive is to win Ladybug’s approval, because Chloe herself is obsessed with Ladybug, she’s a fan of hers (this evolution was implanted in season 1, in the “Lady Wifi” and “Antibug” episodes).

But Queen Bee reveals her secret identity and becomes a prey for Hawk Moth. Now Ladybug can no longer give her the Miraculous, because her identity is no longer a secret and would put the other superheroes in danger (see *Miraculer*). But Chloe wants to be Queen Bee forever now... (*The Battle of the Miraculous*, season 3 finale).

Yet this is impossible. Chloe could become another superhero, but Ladybug will never entrust her with another Miraculous again, because Chloe refuses to change, to be kind and to apologize whenever she’s hurt someone.

Akumatized in: Queens’ Battle, Heroes’ Day, the Battle of the Miraculous

Pollen, Queen Bee’s Kwami

Pollen is Queen Bee/Chloe’s magic creature

Pollen is like a lady’s companion. She calls Chloe “My Queen” or “Your Majesty”. But Pollen isn’t obsequious like Sabrina. Pollen is a real old-style lady’s companion. She’s always very calm, respectful and never short of good advice.

Chloe’s evolution between seasons 2 and 3.

Chloe becomes **Queen Bee** in *Queen Wasp* (season 2) when she comes upon the Miraculous of the Bee, and Ladybug gives her the Miraculous - inviting her to be a real superhero - in *Malediktator* and *Heroes’ Day* (season 2).

But since Chloe has revealed her secret identity to the whole of Paris, she cannot be a permanent superhero (because of her vanity!). Season 3 shows her desire to become a superhero again vs Ladybug who can no longer give her the Miraculous (because of what will have happened in *Heroes' Day* and *Miraculer*). The season 3 finale, *Miracle Queen*, will show Chloe turning to the dark side of the force as Queen Bee/Miracle Queen!!!

Chloe's family circle

Her father: André Bourgeois, Paris Mayor

He's the owner of the *Grand Paris* luxury hotel and the mayor of Paris. A friend of Gabriel since their youth, he invented himself as a movie director to seduce Audrey... André Bourgeois sacrificed everything to please his wife... but it's far from being mutual! His wife *and* his daughter Chloe domineer him totally. André has given up all and gives in – every time! In reality, he is a soft touch.

When Zoe joins the Bourgeois household (in season 4), André will gradually learn to reassert himself as he follows the girl's example.

Akumatized in: Malediktator, Heart Hunter (with Audrey), Mega Leech

Her mother: Audrey Bourgeois, the Queen of fashion

Audrey Bourgeois is Chloe's mother, Mr. Bourgeois' wife. She the most famous member of the family. She's the director of *Style Queen*, the most influential fashion magazine in the world with an explicit headline: "If it's in good taste, it's in *Style Queen*". She's the one who discovered Gabriel and allowed him to become the world-famous fashion designer he is today. She's also the one who shaped her husband André.

Audrey's talent is matched only by her legendary nastiness, which Chloe's a great admirer of.

Audrey lives in New York and only comes back to Paris for major fashion events (Paris fashion week, for instance). She's not interested in her daughter, who's nothing exceptional, if you ask her – she can't even remember her name. It's (partly) to mimic Audrey and draw her attention that Chloe acts like such a brat.

At the end of *Queen Wasp*, Audrey realizes that her daughter misses her (thanks to Marinette) and decides to stay in Paris longer than she originally intended.

Akumatized in: Style Queen, Heart Hunter (with André), Optigami

Her butler: Jean Whatshisname / Armand

Chloe's butler is obliging, a tad of a philosopher, always dressed up to the nines and never raises his voice. He's the guardian of Chloe's teddy bear (Mr. Cuddly) and always stands ready to hand it to her whenever she feels sad! The worst thing that could happen to him? Losing his job! (see *Despair Bear*)

Of course, Chloe is an enfant terrible, but the butler knows her weaknesses and her history, and he's been taking care of her since the day she was born. He's like a second mom *and* a second dad to her!

Chloe can never remember his name. It's Jean Something... but Chloe hasn't found out what the "Something" stands for yet! In reality, his name is Armand (see *Adoration*).

Her half-sister: **Zoe Lee**

Zoe is Chloe Bourgeois's younger half-sister (or "half-of-a-sister", if you ask Chloe). They share the same mother, a famous fashion journalist who did not raise her and can barely remember her name.

Zoe is the complete opposite of Chloe: she is kind, thoughtful and, thanks to Marinette, she turns out to be a real rebel who stands up against injustice. She has feelings for Marinette but doesn't dare to tell her (see *Adoration*).

Zoe is the true holder of the Miraculous of the Bee, which grants the power of action. With the help of her kwami Pollen, she transforms into **Vesperia** (see *Queen Banana, Mega Leech, Ephemeral, Kuro Neko, Penalteam, Strikeback*).

Akumatized in: Sole Crusher, Deflagration

c. OTHER SECONDARY HEROES

SEASON 2

Alya becomes **Rena Rouge** in *Sapotis, Heroes' Day* (holder of the Miraculous of the Fox)

Nino becomes **Carapace** in *Anansi, Heroes' Day* (holder of the Miraculous of the Turtle)

Chloe becomes **Queen Bee** in *Queen Wasp, Malediktator, Heroes' Day* (holder of the Miraculous of the Bee)

Rena Rouge, Carapace and Queen Bee fight together alongside **Ladybug and Chat Noir** in *Heroes' Day* (season 2 two-parter finale). – 5 superheroes on screen

SEASON 3

Chloe becomes **Queen Bee** in *Miraculer* (holder of the Miraculous of the Bee)

Kagami becomes **Ryûko** in *Ikari Gozen* (holder of the Miraculous of the Dragon)

Adrien becomes **Aspik** in *Desperada* (holder of the Miraculous of the Snake)

Luka becomes **Viperion** in *Desperada* (holder of the Miraculous of the Snake)

Max becomes **Pegasus** in *Startrain* (holder of the Miraculous of the Horse)

Kim becomes **King Monkey** in *Party Crasher* (holder of the Miraculous of the Monkey)

Alix (adult version) becomes **Bunnyx** in *Timetagger* and *Cat Blanc* (holder of the Miraculous of the Rabbit)

When Tikki gets captured by a villain, Marinette needs to become another superheroine. Marinette becomes **Multimouse** in the *Kwamibuster* episode (holder of the Miraculous of the Mouse).

Rena Rouge, King Monkey, Pegasus and Viperion are back, controlled by Miracle Queen in *Miracle Queen*.

SEASON 4

Zoe becomes **Vesperia** in *Queen Banana* (holder of the Miraculous of the Bee)

Mylene becomes **Polymouse** in *Mega Leech* (holder of the Miraculous of the Mouse)

Rose becomes **Pigella** in *Guiltrip* (holder of the Miraculous of the Pig)

Juleka becomes **Purple Tigress** in *Crocoduel* (holder of the Miraculous of the Tiger)

Alya becomes **Scarabella** in *Hack-San* (holder of the Miraculous of the Ladybug)

Alya becomes **Rena Furtive** in *Rocketear* (she **secretly** wears the Miraculous of the Fox)

Adrien becomes **Cat Walker** in *Kuro Neko* (holder of the Miraculous of the Black Cat)

Sabrina becomes **Miss Hound** in *Penalteam* (holder of the Miraculous of the Dog)

Marc becomes **Rooster Bold** in *Penalteam* (holder of the Miraculous of the Rooster)

Nathaniel becomes **Caprikid** in *Penalteam* (holder of the Miraculous of the Goat)

Ivan becomes **Minotaurox** in *Penalteam* (holder of the Miraculous of the Ox)

Felix becomes **Flairmidable** in *Strikeback_Shadow Moth's Final Attack_Part 2* (holder of the Miraculous of the Dog)

They're back!

Alya is back as **Rena Rouge** in *Gang of Secrets*, *Mr. Pigeon 72*, *Optigami* and *Sentibubler*.

Zoe is back as **Vesperia** in *Queen Banana*, *Mega Leech*, *Penalteam* and *Strikeback*.

Kagami is back as **Ryûko** in *Mega Leech*, *Penalteam* and *Strikeback*.

Nino is back as **Carapace** in *Mega Leech*, *Rocketear*, *Penalteam* and *Strikeback*.

Luka is back as **Viperion** in *Wishmaker* and *Penalteam*.

Mylene is back as **Polymouse** in *Penalteam* and *Strikeback*.

Max is back as **Pegasus** in *Mega Leech* and *Penalteam*.

Juleka is back as **Purple Tigress** in *Penalteam* and *Strikeback*.

Pigella and **King Monkey** are back in *Penalteam*.

Rooster Bold is back in *Strikeback*.

SEASON 5

Alix becomes **Canigirl** in *Evolution* (holder of the Miraculous of the Dog)

Zoe becomes **Kitty Noire** in *The Kwamis' Choice* (holder of the Miraculous of the Black Cat)

Alix becomes **Teenage Bunnyx** in *Evolution*, *Reunion* (holder of the Miraculous of the Rabbit)

They're back !

Alya is back as **Scarabella** in *The Kwamis' Choice*, *Revelation*.

Alix is back as (adult) **Bunnyx** in *Evolution*.

4. THE MIRACULOUS AND THE KWAMIS

Whenever something new appears in the Universe, like Love, Beauty, Sadness or even Mathematics, a kwami is born.

These cute little magic creatures impart powers when they enter their Miraculous.

The Miraculous are magic jewels that were created by an alchemist centuries ago to monitor and control the Kwamis' tremendous powers.

Throughout history, heroes have used these jewels for the good of the human race. Two of these Miraculous are more powerful than the others; the earrings of the Ladybug, which provide the power of creation; and the ring of the Black Cat, which gives the power of destruction. According to legend, whoever controls both these jewels at the same time, will achieve absolute power. (Which will allow them to make a wish to recreate the world according to their will – see explanation in Ephemeral, season 4.)

Marinette and Adrien are the new holders of these Miraculous.

When Marinette and Adrien are in Ladybug and Cat Noir mode, respectively, their Kwamis are no longer visible and they can no longer talk to each other. However, when the Kwamis are out of the jewels, they are visible to all and sundry. Marinette and Adrien carry them around with them but must keep them hidden at all times!

Kwamis's specifics:

- *Kwamis can't be photographed or filmed. They'll never show up in the image.*
- *Kwamis can go through matter.*
- *Kwamis won't use their powers without a human holder because their powers are too powerful. If they do, it causes terrible consequences in the world. (see Plagg in Style Queen or Tikki in Dearest Family).*

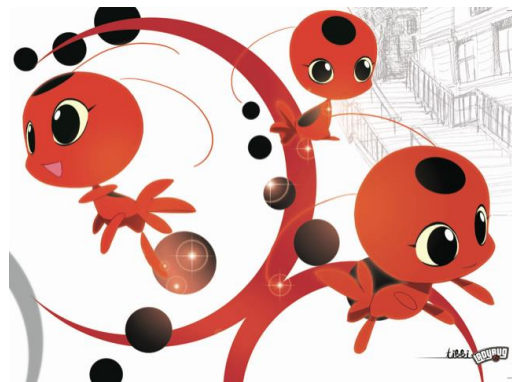
a. TIKKI

Tikki is Marinette's magic creature/Kwami. Her magical powers are what enable Marinette to switch to Ladybug mode.

Since Tikki is the kwami of Creation, she was born at the same time as the Universe, which makes her the very first kwami... even though she doesn't look her age!

She is female, a small, red, four-legged creature with black spots, hardly any bigger than a kitten.

Tikki is optimistic, fun and enthusiastic. She is a source of support and motivation for Marinette.



Tikki is like a wise friend, a guardian angel. She's all about emotions. Tikki can guide Marinette or give her advice to help her learn from her mistakes in an emotional way. However, Tikki will NEVER moralize or display adult-like responsibility. Tikki is a partner, not a mentor. There are things she just doesn't understand anyway, like love!

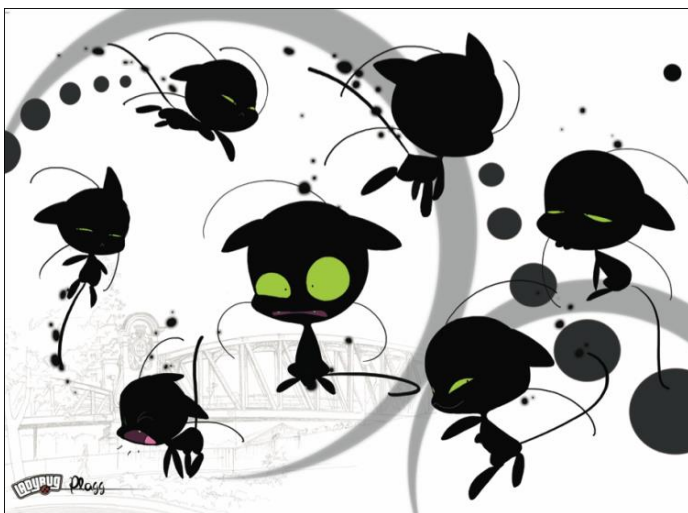
Unlike Alya, who is pragmatic and forthright, Tikki is more gentle. And she knows all about Marinette's Ladybug secret.

The Relationship between Tikki and Marinette...

Tikki and Marinette adore each other. They're "partners in crime". Tikki goes everywhere with Marinette in her daily life, even to school. This is because she may need to change into Ladybug at any time! Marinette keeps her Kwami hidden in her purse or jacket and Tikki is good at keeping a low profile so as to avoid being seen by others.

Marinette needs Tikki in order to change into Ladybug, as the Kwami must enter her earring for the transition to take place (see Ladybug's Powers). Tikki is exhausted after each adventure and needs to rest – preferably with a macaron to hand!

b. PLAGG



Plagg is Adrien's Kwami.

His magical powers allow Adrien to transform into Cat Noir.

Plagg is a small, black, male creature, not much bigger than a kitten.

Plagg is lazy, pretentious, sarcastic and resentful, and hates being ordered about!

Plagg loves living among humans, where he can wallow in soft beds, watch TV and play with whatever's

lying around ("Oh look! A roll of pink paper! Let's see how many shreds I can make out of it!").

Plagg likes pranks, too, such as turning off Adrien's alarm clock, to make him late for school!

Unlike Tikki, Plagg is like a crazy, reckless little puppy who only wants to play. He is not as earnest about the missions as Tikki is and does not have the same knowledge as she does.

The Kwamis know Plagg for being behind some pretty big disasters in the History of Earth, such as the end of dinosaurs, or the disappearance of Atlantis...

Plagg must enter Adrien's ring for him to change into Cat Noir (see Cat Noir's powers) but he loathes doing it!

The only time he's happy is when he's out of the magic ring, doing other things he's more interested in!

Like Tikki, Plagg is tired after using his powers. But, unfortunately for Adrien, he's never too tired to complain and act up!

Plagg grumbles every time Adrien needs to convert to Cat Noir.

The Relationship between Plagg and Adrien...

Plagg is selfish, bent on mischief and thinks only of himself. He's a spoilt little 'kid'! He knows Adrien needs him in order to be able to change into Cat Noir, to be with his crush, Ladybug. And Plagg uses that to make Adrien dependent on him, and to get him to give him what he wants!

So, on the upside, Adrien gets to leap about in his Cat Noir costume, courtesy of Plagg and the powers he imparts; however, the downside is that he has to put up with the whining, roguish Plagg every single day of his life!

They wrangle constantly but Adrien has no choice but to tolerate Plagg if he wants to continue being Cat Noir.

Plagg goes everywhere with Adrien in his daily life, even to school, because he may need to change into Cat Noir at any time! Adrien keeps his Kwami hidden in his school bag or jacket. But, as you've probably guessed, it's no mean feat trying to keep Plagg in line and hidden, without him getting into any mischief, and this is a source of worry for Adrien (see episodes *Rogercop* (season 1) and *Kwamibuster* (season 3)).

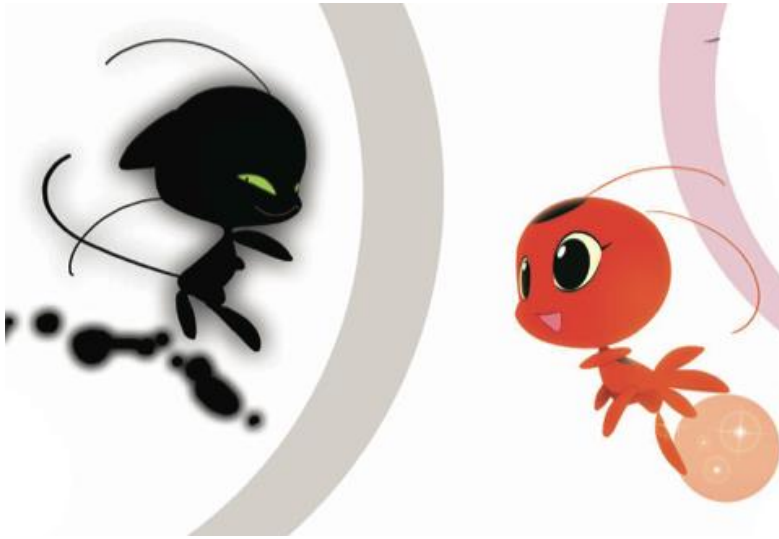
Fortunately for Adrien, Plagg has one humongous **weakness**: a very big soft spot for cheese, especially Camembert!

If Adrien wants to win him over, he simply has to give him a portion and his Kwami will be putty in his hands! (This should be a recurring gag, to be used as often as possible!)

Of course, this means Adrien has to carry around a few pieces of Camembert in his school bag – along with the attendant offensive odor! This can be a source of awkward situations for our young friend.

In reality, we will progressively discover that, beneath a cynical exterior, Plagg is very kind and soft-hearted.

Plagg loves to speak in 'cheesy' metaphors. *Your father actually said three whole sentences! All those warm feelings... enough to melt a whole wheel of Raclette!*



Tikki / Plagg relationship

They often meet on Paris rooftops at night.

Plagg has a nickname for Tikki: “*Sugarcube*”! He finds her too nice... but he loves and respects her.

Tikki doesn’t understand Plagg’s passion for cheese, a passion that nearly cost them very dearly once! (see *Kwamibuster*)

c. THE OTHER KWAMIS

There are 19 Kwamis in the Miracle Box.

Two of them are Marinette and Adrien’s (Tikki and Plagg).

Two of them are the big baddies’ (Nooroo and Duusu).

Master Fu also has one (Wayzz).

Which means there are 14 left in the Miracle Box:

Pollen the bee, Trixx the fox, Mullo the mouse, Stompp the buffalo, Roarr the tiger, Fluff the rabbit, Longg the dragon, Sass the snake, Kaalki the horse, Ziggi the goat, Xuppu the monkey, Orikko the rooster, Barkk the dog, and Daizzi the pig.

We discover all the Kwamis in their world – the Miracle Box – in *Sandboy* season 2). From this episode on, the viewers will have seen 18 kwamis. Only missing will be the Peacock’s, Duusu, who will be revealed in early season 3 (see chart of the Miraculous will all the kwamis’ names).

Each kwami has a specific power and is linked to a jewel. (see Kwamis chart – annex).

In season 3, Ladybug will wear all the Miraculous and fight alongside all the Kwamis in *Kwamibuster*.

Seasons 2&3 show a lot more of Tikki and Plagg and further develop their relationship. For these two Kwamis sometimes meet at night, when their owners are asleep...

From season 4 on, Master Fu will no longer be in the show, for Marinette / Ladybug has become the new Guardian of the Miracle Box. She now has all the Miraculous... and all the Kwamis! She keeps them all at home, in her room. Even though they miss Master Fu, the kwamis are delighted to be living with Marinette. They can fly freely across her room and each everyday object is like a new discovery - and maybe a new game - to them!

At the end of season 4, Shadow Moth (now Monarch) manages to get hold of the Miracle Box and steal all the Miraculous (except Ladybug and Cat Noir's), hence all the kwamis.

In season 5, Monarch keeps all the kwamis in his possession prisoner in techno-magical cages, so he can use their powers at any moment.

5. MARINETTE'S FAMILY

TOM and SABINE

*Marinette's **parents**, her **primary caregivers**.*

Tom and Sabine Dupain-Cheng run a bakery located on the first floor of their building.

Tom, the father, is a Franco-Italian baker. He is passionate about his job and is always striving to make the best possible loaf of bread or pastry.

He's a good, reliable father to Marinette – a source of support. He's not a walkover; he's careful to make sure certain life values are adhered to and he passes many of these on to his daughter.

He even uses bakery-based allegories to get the point across!

He's slightly withdrawn and modest, speaking little but always kindly – unless it's about defending his family. In such cases, he can prove to be a real *Weredad* (see eponymous episode and *Dearest Family*).

He's generous and modest.

Every morning, he makes MARINETTE'S CROISSANT, a special creation which he always leaves in the same spot every time. He doesn't make a big thing about it, he just thinks it's normal for him to show his daughter how much he loves her, in this way.

Tom and Marinette love playing videogames together.

Akumatized in: Weredad, Gamer 2.0, Dearest Family

Sabine, the mother, is of Chinese origin – born “Xia-Bing”, she took the name “Sabine” when she moved to France. She takes care of the storefront activities in the bakery.

She's very chatty and less reserved than Tom; she's always in the forefront of the action.

Sabine takes care of all of Marinette's everyday affairs: healthcare visits, meetings with teachers, homework, etc.

Sabine is small in size but a real rock of a woman! She comes across as unshakeable, a kind of ‘Ladybug of the Bakery’!

Sabine was raised by her uncle **Wang** Cheng Sifu, the brother of her mother (deceased, as well as her father). Although Wang did travel to France (see *Kung Food*), he still lives in Shanghai (see Shanghai TV Movie).

Akumatized in: Qilin, Dearest Family

Tom is a teddy bear with his wife. **Sabine** is the head of the family, the one who solves all problems and makes the big decisions.

Marinette admires her parents. She'd love to be like them – to possess her dad's creative talent (which he displays in his pastry-making) and her mum's strength of character.

Her parents cheer every time Ladybug pulls off another exploit. Marinette loves to see them rooting for Ladybug in this way, even though she can never let them in to her secret.

Whenever Marinette doubts herself, her parents always find the right words to reassure and encourage her.

OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS

Gina

In episode 208 (“Befana”), we meet “nonna” Gina, Marinette’s grandmother. Tom’s mother, of Italian origin, spends her retirement travelling around the world. Even though she doesn’t see Marinette very often, they’re very close. Marinette adores her. Gina is a real refreshing whirlwind, an adventurer and a very rock’n’roll grandmother!

Akumatized in: Befana, Gamer 2.0, Dearest Family

Roland

In season 3 (“Bakerix”), we meet Roland, Marinette’s grandfather. Separated from Gina, Tom’s father is a baker too. He’s a small stocky man, reminiscent of a grumpy gnome. Profoundly attached to traditions, Roland lives in the past (*That’s not how it’s done!* as he likes to say) and hasn’t set a foot outside of his house for the last 20 years. He’s shut Tom out of his life ever since the latter started adding ground rice to his bread, which explains why Marinette had never met him. But thanks to Marinette’s love for Tom, Roland and his son finally made up.

Akumatized in: Bakerix, Gamer 2.0, Simpleman, Dearest Family

Wang Cheng Sifu

Wang Cheng is Marinette’s Chinese great-uncle, a very famous chef. Although he seems distant at first sight, we soon find out that the language barrier hides a proud man with a big heart. In episode 225 (*Kung Food*) Marinette meets him for the first time as she goes with him to a “World’s Greatest Chef” contest held at the Palace. Since this moment, Wang has gone back to Shanghai, and his “Marinette Soup” (ex “Celestial Soup”) now appears in his restaurant menu. He also took French lessons so he could communicate with Marinette.



Akumatized in: Kung Food

6. FRANCOISE DUPONT¹ HIGH SCHOOL – THE CLASS

The class is made up of several groups of friends.

Best friends are shown in the same color.

Season 1:

Teacher			
Nino	Adrien	Chloé	Sabrina
Alya	Marinette	Mylène	Alix
Ivan		Kim	Max
Nathaniel		Rose	Juleka

Note: starting from season 3 and until episode *Confrontation*, Lila will sit next to Nathaniel (when she does show up to class).

1. Marinette and Alya

See above.

2. Sabrina Raincomprix

“Yes Chloe!”

Sabrina is proud to be Chloe’s underling and eagerly helps her play nasty tricks on other people... as long as she doesn’t have to break the law! Indeed, like the good daughter of a police officer that she is, she takes compliance with the rules very seriously.

Sabrina is the holder of the Miraculous of the Dog, which grants the power of adoration. With the help of her kwami Barkk, she transforms into **Miss Hound**.

Akumatized in: Antibug, Miraculer, Adoration

3. Nino Lahiffe

“Cool, dude-- I mean Sir!”

Nino is Adrien’s best friend, *dude!* He’s a cool kid who always speaks his mind, which makes him the perfect boyfriend for Alya, who hates lying.

Nino is the holder of the Miraculous of the Turtle, which grants the power of protection. With the help of his kwami Wayzz, he transforms into **Carapace**.

Carapace, the Turtle superhero (akumatized version: Shellshock)

¹ Françoise Dupont is Fantomette's alter ego in the novels of the same name.

In season 2, Marinette entrusts (Master Fu's) Turtle Miraculous to Nino for a mission (episode 221 *Anansi*) to help her save Alya from her akumatized big sister. Nino/Carapace will prove to be a very brave superhero, and Marinette will entrust him with the Miraculous again when in difficult situations (see *Heroes' Day* two-parter). Nino and Alya know that they're superheroes; they can't keep secrets from each other.

Nino tells Adrien that he was Carapace in season 5 episode *Illusion*.

His relationship with the rest of the class:

He used to have a crush on Marinette, but then he realized that *Alya* was actually "the one"! (see *Animan*)

Lexical field:

Adrien tends to use short phrases whereas Nino might rattle on for hours on the same subject. "Concise" is not a concept he's aware of! He's very "chill" (the male equivalent of Alya).

Favorite expressions:

Dude!

(This is) legit!

Akumatized in: The Bubbler, Mayura, Oblivio (with Alya), Rocketear

When he joins the "Resistance", he goes by Comrade Ketchup.

4. The girlfriends

Marinette and Alya have a group of class girlfriends with whom they go out and come up with plans (from season 2 on) to help Marinette with the whole "Adrien situation".

Please note: Rose, Juleka, Mylene, Alix, Alya and Marinette are now dealt with as a group of close girlfriends. (episodes *Gigantitan*, *Zombizou*, *Captain Hardrock*, *Reverser*, *Reflekdoll*, *Silencer*, *Party Crasher*, *Cat Blanc*, *Felix*, *The Gamer 2*)

Alix Kubdel

Of Berber origins, Alix is the best at everything she puts her mind to, whether it is school, sports, or friendships. Above all, she's a committed rebel who stands for gender equality. Alix is also the best when it comes to looks, and hers is probably the coolest in school!

In the past, the future or the present, as an adult or a teen, Alix was, is and will be the holder of the Miraculous of the Rabbit, which grants the power of evolution. With the help of her kwami Fluff, she transforms into **Bunnyx**.

Her relationship with the rest of the class:

"if you go looking for trouble, you'll find it!" Alix isn't the easiest person to get along with and may just send someone packing for no reason except that they're getting on her nerves! She's friends with Nathaniel.

Lexical field:

Short and to the point. Skater, *street*.

Favorite expressions:

Pretty sweet/awesome

My old man

I'm stoked

Meathead

Akumatized in: Timebreaker, Gang of Secrets

Rose Lavillant

"I love each and everyone of you!!!"

Rose is probably the most positive girl in the world, always seeing *"la vie en Rose"*! She loves everyone equally, but her favorite person is her best friend Juleka. They share everything, including their passion for music within the band Kitty Section, of which Rose is the lead singer.

Rose is the holder of the Miraculous of the Pig, which grants the power of jubilation. With the help of her kwami Daizzi, she transforms into **Piggella**.

Her relationship with the rest of the class:

Her undying optimism can get infectious or... a tad wearisome.

Lexical field:

Bursts out laughing, going into raptures, finding everything absolutely awesome and humongously fantasmagorical! Play on superlatives where Rose is concerned.

Favorite expression:

It's soooo romantic!

Akumatized in: Princess Fragrance, Felix, Gang of Secrets

When she joins the "Resistance", she goes by Comrade Cocktail.

Juleka Couphène

"Awesome!"

She's a Goth. She plays the bass in Kitty Section.

Juleka is Luka's twin sister and Rose's best friend. The latter both know that, behind her goth look and her lack of self-confidence, Juleka is extremely talented. She's the real rock star of the band Kitty Section *and* of the Couphène family.

Juleka is the holder of the Miraculous of the Tiger, which grants the power of elation. With the help of her kwami Roarr, she transforms into **Purple Tigress**.

Lexical field:

Stutters and stammers and speaks painfully quietly. It's hard to hear what she says, unless she's talking to Luka. Over the seasons, her friends will learn to interpret her mumbling.

Favorite expression:

Awesome!

Akumatized in: Reflekta, Reflekdoll, Felix, Gang of Secrets, Guiltip, Confrontation

When she joins the “Resistance”, she goes by Agent Grand Veneur.

Mylene Haprele

“Let’s save the planet!”

Mylene is a committed environmentalist who gets involved in every effort to preserve the global climate. On the outside, Mylene seems very confident, but she is actually afraid of a lot of things. Mylene fights each of these fears with the help of her boyfriend Ivan. She now has a badge to fight each of her fears.

Her favorite badge is the Miraculous of the Mouse Ladybug entrusted her with, which grants the power of multiplication. With the help of her kwami Mullo, she transforms into **Polymouse**.

Her father, Mr. Haprele, is the school supervisor and a mime actor in a theater company. Mylene loves him to bits and her admiration for him knows no bounds.

Her relationship with the rest of the class:

She’s in love with Ivan.

Akumatized in: Horrificator, Gang of Secrets

When she joins the “Resistance”, she goes by Comrade Gribiche.

5. The competitors

Kim Ature

“You’re no match for me. My neck is bigger than your thigh.”

Of Vietnamese origin, Kim is Max’s *human* best friend. He is a great athlete who excels at swimming... and never misses a chance to sport his swimming trunks (season 2 *Syren*, season 3 *Party Crasher*, *Startrain*)!

With him, everything is a chance for a challenge, a competition and a good laugh! He loves challenging others, too (see *Timebreaker*, *Animan*)

Kim is the holder of the Miraculous of the Monkey, which grants the power of derision. With the help of his kwami Xuppu, he transforms into **King Monkey**.

His relationship with the rest of the class:

He was in love with Marinette, back in 8th grade, then with Chloe until *Dark Cupid* (season 1), until we find out that he’s actually always loved Ondine, a friend from the swim club. But Kim has a hard time understanding obvious things, it seems like his brain doesn’t work too well! (season 2 *Syren*, season 5 *Derision*)

He is unknowingly at the root of Marinette’s problems (season 5 *Derision*).

His relationship with Max:

Max is his personal computer, his private coach, the one who will make a killer out of him.

Lexical field:

Me me me.

Provocative.

Akumatized in: Dark Cupid, Derision

When he joins the “Resistance”, he goes by Comrade Burgundy.

Max Kanté

“According to my calculations, there’s a 99.7% chance...”

Originally from Mali, Max is a true genius who created a best friend for himself, a robot named Markov with artificial intelligence who can experience emotions just like human beings. Max is also the best when it comes to video games. Marinette is the only one who can beat his score!

Max is the holder of the Miraculous of the Horse, which grants the power of migration. With the help of his kwami Kaalki, he transforms into **Pegasus**.

His relationship with Kim:

Max is Kim’s “brain”. He may be inclined to correct him grammatically. Kim is a winner, and Max his assistant. Max loves playing this role because it means he gets to keep all the statistics and report the results of Kim’s various competitions.

His relationship with the rest of the class:

He’s the Swiss army knife of the class, the last resort in the event of a group crisis.

His robot Markov:

Max has designed an artificial intelligence with feelings: **Markov** (season 2: *Robustus*). Markov will become both Max’s robot best friend and a kind of mascot for the kids from school (see episodes *Robustus*, *Syren*, *Startrain*). *Akumatized in: Robustus, Hack-San*

ADA

Like a ‘little sister’ to Markov, **ADA** (Affective Decision Assistance system) is an AI that assists Claudie Kanté (Max’s mom) when she’s piloting the Tsurugi Space Jet. *Akumatized in: Intuition*

Lexical field:

Precision speak, like something out of a user’s manual. Refined language. Uses numbers, statistics and percentages a lot.

Akumatized in: Gamer, Gamer 2.0

When he joins the “Resistance”, he goes by Comrade Bearnaise.

6. The brute

Ivan Bruel

“Grrrrr...”

Ivan is the school’s colossus, and Marinette’s most sensitive friend. Thanks to her, he developed a taste for poetry-writing, to help declare his love to Mylene, for instance. Ivan expresses his emotions through his favorite instrument, the drums, which he plays in the band Kitty Section.

He was the first person akumatized by Hawk Moth (see *Origins*).

Ivan is the holder of the Miraculous of the Ox, which grants the power of determination. With the help of his kwami Stompp, he transforms into **Minotaurox**.

His relationship with the rest of the class: He’s in love with Mylene but struggles expressing his feelings. Despite his tough guy’s appearance, he’s very shy. Luckily, thanks to Ladybug and Cat Noir (see *Origins*), Mylene understands how he feels... and feels the same way about him! The couple will become well known to Andre, the Sweethearts’ ice-cream man.

Lexical field:

Laconic, rarely uttering more than 2 words at any one time unless he’s talking to or about Mylene (see *Horrificator*, and *Origins*).

Akumatized in: Origins

When he joins the “Resistance”, he goes by Lieutenant Aioli.

7. The artist

Nathaniel Kurtzberg

Nathaniel is a quiet dreamer full of imagination. With his friend Marc, he draws comics filled with the actions and fantasies that they don’t dare to realize in real life. Nathaniel is the holder of the Miraculous of the goat, which grants the power of passion. With the help of his kwami Ziggi, he transforms into **Caprikid**.

His relationship with the rest of the class:

First in love with Marinette (see *Evillustrator*), then with Ladybug – who de-akumatized him. He’s friends with Alix, his confidant. He mostly reveals his true self when in the art room, where he can freely create comics with Marc.

Lexical field:

Talks little, but mainly through his drawings.

Akumatized in: The Evillustrator

7. FRANCOISE DUPONT HIGH SCHOOL - TEACHING STAFF

Mr. Denis Damoclès

"I'm watching you!"

The principal.

He watches over the school with a benevolent eye.

But his kindness can also be a weakness as it makes him indecisive, insufficiently strict and an easy walk-over – for Chloé!

Damocles has a great passion for superheroes, especially DarkOwl (some kind of Batman but with an owl instead of a bat). In his office, at school, he's customized his computer, "Albert", which is now his personal assistant. He's also set up a secret room behind his bookshelf, where he keeps a huge collection of DarkOwl comics, a feathery superhero's outfit and a display stand covered in plastic gadgets.

Damocles loves dressing up as The Owl to "save Paris", just like real superheroes do. But a mishap (see episode 213 *The Dark Owl*) will teach him that it's better to leave it to the pros.

He will eventually resign as principal after yet another nasty trick from Chloe, in *Confrontation*.

Akumatized in: The Dark Owl, Jubilation

Albert, his computer

Albert is Mr. Damocles' computer. "Improved" by the latter, Albert tends to bug a lot and speaks in a robotic and jerky voice. But when Damocles gets akumatized, Albert turns into some kind of super-calculator, with a deep and impressive voice!

Miss Bustier

"If we wish to change the world, we must all learn to love each other."

The class' main teacher.

She teaches French, Latin and Ancient Greek. Miss Bustier is everyone's favorite teacher at school. She's always so sweet, so kind and unfailingly patient!

She starts each day by asking each student to give their neighbors a compliment in order to make them bond with each other.

In case of a schoolyard argument, she manages to settle it without even resorting to punishments. And the students always end up falling into each other's arms.

She conducts breathing and emotion regulation workshops where the students are in the schoolyard, lying on towels and pillows, like in a Yoga class.

In a word, Miss Bustier is the perfect teacher, never raising her voice and always saying the right thing at the right time! She has a passion for her work. A perfect adult role model for the students!

In the *United Heroes* special, Miss Bustier tells her class that she is pregnant. Her baby is born the summer she becomes Mayor of Paris. She raises it with her partner Gisele.

Akumatized in: Zombizou, Conspiracy

Mrs. Mendeleiv

"Shhh!"

The physics and chemistry teacher. She's the stereotype of a strict teacher. She tolerates no noise and no shuffling on behalf of her students. She's what you might call "motionophobic"!

She will however make a major scientific discovery when she discovers the existence of... kwamis! (See *Kwamibuster*).

After the departure of Damocles, she becomes the new school principal and does exactly as Mayor Bourgeois (hence, by extension, Chloe) says!

Akumatized in: Kwamibuster

Fred Haprele

A school supervisor by day (he's nice but always makes sure that rules are being followed), Fred Haprele is also an amateur stage actor with big dreams (see episode "The Mime"). He plays in a theater company run by **Sarah**, a long-time friend and talented director.

Fred has one major flaw: he's always late (which isn't exactly helpful when you're a school supervisor!).

Akumatized in: The Mime

Armand D'Argencourt

ADRIEN: *Wow... You're full of pep today, Mr. D'Argencourt!"*

D'ARGENCOURT: *Pep? This has nothing to do with my mood, which, by the way, is very bad, young Adrien."*

The school's P.E. teacher and Adrien's fencing teacher. Mr. D'Argencourt takes much pride in his noble origins (one of his ancestors, Darkblade, had conquered Paris and ruled the city with an iron fist... - see *Darkblade* episode).

He speaks in a language from another time, using a very, very formal vocabulary (sometimes even no longer in use!).

He dreams of a political career which would allow him to reconquer Paris by being elected Mayor. But the last elections were a humiliation for him, and he only acquired 3% of the votes (see *Darkblade*).

Akumatized in: Darkblade

Jean-Pierre

He's the school's art teacher. Jean-Pierre is open-minded and always encourages his students to experiment new things and be themselves...

8. SECONDARY CHARACTERS

The adults

Master Fu is 186 and a half!!! He's the guardian of the Miraculous and owns a kwami (Wayzz). Fu is the one who chose Marinette and Adrien to become superheroes (see "Origins"). Even though he's following the two teenagers' adventures closely, Fu keeps a low profile. Marinette and Adrien briefly meet him on the day he picks them without their knowing, and Marinette meets him again (but don't recognize him) when he heals Tikki (episode "Princess Fragrance"). At the time, she simply thinks of him as some kind of strange vet.

She only officially meets him at the end of season 1 (see "Volpina"), when Tikki asks her to bring a mysterious book they've come across back to its *owner*. (Adrien has found the book in his father's safe before he lost it...)

As for Adrien, he'll only officially meet him in season 2 ("Syren" episode).

Fu once was a superhero too, but he's now too old to deal with Hawk Moth.

He's the Guardian of the Miraculous. When he was younger, he made a mistake. Because of him, the Guardians' temple was destroyed and two Miraculous were lost: the Peacock... and the Butterfly... Also lost was the grimoire Marinette found. Ever since that day, Fu has been trying to fix his mistake.

Marinette will finally fix it in the *Feast* episode.

Fu loves cinema, he attended the Lumière brothers' very first screening. And he was only 70-ish at the time!

At the end of season 3, Hawk Moth discovers Master Fu's identity. He is about to defeat Master Fu, but the latter relinquishes the Miracle Box to save the day and names Ladybug the new Guardian. According to the rule of the Guardians, his memory gets erased to protect the secret identities of the holders of the Miraculous. He leaves Paris and the show and moves to London with his lifelong love **Marianne** (*akumatized in Backwarder*), where he discovers a passion for painting.

He will come back in a season 4 episode ("Furious Fu") in which he will be akumatized because of Grand Master Su-Han.

Akumatized in: Furious Fu

Grand Master Su-Han is the Celestial Guardian of the Miracle Box. He was in charge of it before Master Fu accidentally destroyed the Guardians' Temple.

In season 4 ("Furious Fu"), he turns up at Marinette's after finding her thanks to his Guardian's compass, hidden in his staff.

Furious with Master Fu, whom he does not consider a real Guardian, he wants to take the Miracle Box back from Marinette, whom he doesn't deem legitimate, having been chosen by Master Fu. But Marinette / Ladybug will prove to him that she is worthy of her role as a superhero and a Guardian, and Master Su-Han will agree to leave the Miracle Box with her while watching her from a distance.

The Guardians and the Temples

The main Temple is located in Tibet, on the border with Nepal, not far from Makalu (a summit). It's the only one that holds Miracle Boxes.

The other temples are annexes, waypoints that can be reached via teleportation, which allows the monks to make the journeys shorter.

There is one on each continent.

North America: Wemotaci in Nitaskinan

South America: Brazil, near the Mamiraua reserve

Europe: Italy, Mount Cassino. The Temple was destroyed during WWII.

Africa: Mali - Bandiagara

Australia: in the Karijini National Park

Antarctica: Kerguelen Islands

Alec, a mordant TV host (Kidz Plus Tv), who uses cynicism and irony. He's a colleague of Nadja Chamack.

Akumatized in: Wishmaker

Anarka Couphène is Juleka (and Luka)'s mom. She wears a bandana in her hair, two audio jacks by way of a necklace (crossed like pirate bones) and has a habit of chewing licorice sticks. Anarka is a true pirate mom: flamboyant, rebellious and friendly. She often uses pirate/sailor's expressions.

Akumatized in: Captain Hardrock, Crocoduel (with Jagged Stone)

Andre the Sweethearts' ice-cream maker. Legend says that people who share Andre's ice cream will be in love forever. That's where Tom asked Sabine to marry him. But if you want to have a taste at the delicious ice cream, you must find Andre first! You can never know where he'll be in Paris. If you want to find him, start by gathering clues. Andre is ageless, with that typical "Parisian urchin" look. His old wheelcart is fitted with a parasol and decorated with old, black & white photos. André serves awesome ice-cream balls using an ancient scooper. He sings and rhymes to his customers with a very strong Parisian accent as he serves them.

Akumatized in: Glaciator, Glaciator 2, Elation

Arlette is Nadja's boss. She has a rather unpleasant personality but she's fair and good at her job.

Bob Roth is the artistic director of a record company (Bob Roth records) which distributes Jagged Stone's and **Mr. XY**'s music. XY is a modern, electro singer. He's *the* trending singer right now! (Also: Bob's his father!) Bob would do anything to earn more money, including lie to teenagers to achieve his goal (see *Truth*).

Akumatized in: Ephemeral, Migration

Reporter **Clara Contard**, in *Dark Owl* and various episodes.

Claudie Kanté is Max's mom, the former conductor of the *Startrain* and recent pilot of the Tsurugi Space Jet.

Akumatized in: Startrain

The Italian photographer (seen in *Stormy Weather*) is Adrien's official and only photographer.

Jagged Stone is a huge American (old-style) rock star who always stays at the Palace whenever he's in Paris (akumatized in "Guitar Villain"). Superficial and very self-centered, he always wants to look his best for his fans.

Jagged once had a love affair with Juleka and Luka's mom Anarka. They even made an album together before they split up. Since then, Jagged has replaced Anarka with

another guitarist: Vivica (design inspired by the eponymous winner of the comic con contest) (see *Desperada*).

Jagged never goes anywhere without his crocodile, Fang.

Favorite expression: Rock'n'roll!

Akumatized in: Guitar Villain, Crocoduel (with Anarka)

Nadja Chamack is the reporter in our show. She loves her job and dreams of having her own TV talk-show one day. She's the mother of young Manon, whom Marinette often babysits. Nadja's friends with Marinette's mother Sabine.

Favorite expression: Don't be bemused, it's just the news!

Akumatized in: Prime Queen

Penny Rolling is Jagged Stone's agent. She has a bit of a crush on him!

Akumatized in: Troublemaker

Philippe is a figure skating coach. He's always positive and passionate about his art. (Philippe Candeloro)

Akumatized in: Frozer

Roger Raincomprix is the local police officer and Sabrina's father.

He has but one rule: "follow the rules!" Obliging and attentive, he carries out his policing duties as if he were the local superhero (see "RogerCop"). Unfortunately, though, the chip on his shoulder and his oversized belly are the only things that match his excessive zeal!

Akumatized in: RogerCop, Kuro Neko

Simon (Jacques in the French version) Grimault dreams of being successful with his hypnosis show. (Akumatized in *Simon Says*)

Tomoe Tsurugi, Kagami's mother is a blind and rather unyielding woman. Kind of like a female version of Gabriel. She and Gabriel often do business together. They've co-created the Alliance rings. The Tsurugi industries are also behind the spaceship piloted by Claudie Kanté.

Akumatized in: Ikari Gozen, Multiplication, Pretension

Vincent Asa is the school's photographer (see *Reflekta*), and a huge fan of Jagged Stone's (he was akumatized in *Numeric*, in which we've seen him as a very enthusiastic/excited stalker.)

Akumatized in: Pixelator

Xavier Ramier. With his (Jacques Tati's) *Monsieur Hulot*-esque look, Ramier is passionate about pigeons and loves to talk to them.

Akumatized in Mr. Pigeon, Mr. Pigeon 72

The kids/young adults

Young **Prince Ali** and his (female) **Chief of Protocol**. (See *Princess Fragrance*)

Auguste is a super cute toddler who gets akumatized and turns into Gigantitan, a 33 feet tall babbling baby! Lor-pop! Haw-haw-moth!

Akumatized in: Gigantitan, Kuro Neko

Aurore Boreale (akumatized in *Stormy Weather and Stormy Weather 2*) and **Mireille Caquet** (*Stormy Weather*) are students at school, but they're not in Marinette and Adrien's class. Aurore has an oversized ego: if you ask her, there's no one better than her. Mireille is much more modest and friendly.

Chris (Noël in the French version) is Nino's younger brother.

Akumatized in: Chrismaster, Timetagger (teenage Chris)

Clara Nightingale (ref: Laura Marano) is a 16-year-old Italo-American artist.

Extravagant costumes. A real livewire. Her sampler-mic looks like a magical girl's scepter. Nightingale can't stop moving, it's like she can't help dancing. She hums and rhymes as she speaks. She's a fan of Ladybug and Cat Noir's.

Akumatized in: Frightningale

Felix Fathom, son of billionaire Colt Fathom and Amelie Graham de Vanilli, twin sister of Emilie Graham de Vanilli, better known as Emilie Agreste. Felix is Adrien's first cousin.

At the end of season 4, he will help Shadow Moth seize the Miraculous while saving the Peacock Miraculous for himself. He will later use it to become Argos in *Emotion*.

Kagami Tsurugi just arrived in Paris. An excellent fencer of Japanese origin, she has a great sense of honor and a strong will to succeed in everything she does. She probably takes after her mother, Tomoe, who is as demanding of her as Gabriel Agreste is of his son.

Kagami has powerful feelings for Adrien, but also for Marinette, who has become her friend.

Kagami is the holder of the Miraculous of the Dragon, which grants the power of perfection. With the help of her kwami Longg, she transforms into **Ryûko**.

PLEASE NOTE: Kagami kisses Adrien in *The Battle of the Miraculous, part 2* (season 3 two-parter finale).

Kagami's car is named Tatsu.

When Kagami wields the Miraculous of the Dragon, her name becomes: Ryûko.

Akumatized in: Riposte, Oni-Chan, Lies, Perfection, Protection

Luka Couphène is Juleka's twin brother. Even though he is passionate about music, he doesn't want to become a rock star. He wants to make stringed instruments for people to create emotions with. Always available, Luka helps his friends get in touch with their inner tunes. He uses his guitar to express his feelings. There's a reason he's the talented guitarist in Kitty Section!

Luka is the holder of the Miraculous of the Snake, which grants the power of intuition. With the help of his kwami Sass, he transforms into **Viperion**.

In season 5, after discovering Ladybug and Cat Noir's secret identities, Luka decides to leave Paris with his father, Jagged Stone, to avoid the risk of compromising the heroes.

Luka will end up in Brazil, where he'll meet Master Su-Han. The latter will teach him MirakungFu. Luka will come back to Paris in the season 5 finale.

Akumatized in: Silence, Truth

Manon, is Nadja Chamack's daughter. Marinette sometimes babysits her.

Akumatized in: The Puppeteer, The Puppeteer 2

Marc Anciel is very shy. But thanks to his friend Nathaniel, he manages to express his emotions through the stories he writes for their comic books.

Marc is the holder of the Miraculous of the Rooster, which grants the power of pretention. With the help of his kwami Orikko, he transforms into **Rooster Bold**.

Akumatized in: Reverser

Ondine is Kim's swim friend. She has a big crush on him too.

Akumatized in: Syren

Rythm, whose design was inspired by Rythm (a real-life young fan of the show)

Akumatized in: Kuro Neko.

Theo Barbot, is a young sculptor and a fan of Ladybug.

Akumatized in: Copycat

Wayem is Adrien's #1 fan. At first overexcited and the ultimate fanboy, Wayem finally simmers down and becomes "friends" with Adrien.

Akumatized in: Party Crasher

Jalil and Mr. Kubdel

Mr. Kubdel is Alix and Jalil's dad. He is the curator of the Louvre Museum.

Akumatized (Jalil) in: Pharaoh, Reunion

9. BACKGROUNDS

The Sitcom Part

1- **A famous Parisian park.** A magnificent park with green lawns, some for the pleasure of the eye, some for picnickers. It also has fountains, statues, bird tables, a playground area, a carrousel...

The other hubs are dotted around this park, which acts as a central point among them (one can go from one background hub to the other by crossing the park).

2- The **High School**: an ideal high school, complete with regal or aristocratic-looking archways.

3- **Le Grand Paris luxury hotel**: a luxurious hotel (like Plaza Athénée), located in the posh part of the 21st arrondissement and run by Mr. Bourgeois. This is where Chloé lives. The street it's in contains only gourmet restaurants and chic stores.

4- The **Neighborhood Square**. A large square, home to all the local cultural activities:

- The City Hall of the 21st arrondissement, where exhibits are organized.
- The Le Grand Lux hall, which stages concerts, theatrical performances and movies.
- Various stores reflecting Parisian culture: fashion shops/bookstores/the Paris Football Club store/record and video store, etc.
- The Grévin Museum

5- **Marinette's neighborhood hub**: A lower-class shopping street where most of the school kids live. It includes:

- Marinette's building, with the bakery on the first floor.
- the projects where Alya lives.
- Various stores, selling fruit and veggies, flowers, cheese, Chinese food to go, etc.
- the municipal pool
- Philippe's ice rink

6- **Paris' iconic landmarks**:

- the banks of the Seine
- the Canal St Martin

The Action Part

This will include three types of background.

1-The intermediary battles will take place in closed locations, such as the sitcom locations (above) or the rooftops.

2-For the most part, the superheroes will get from A to B via the rooftops of Paris. This is a sea of zinc and chimney stacks, stretching out as far as the eye can see, interspersed with Paris' most stunning monuments.

3-Where possible, the finale battles will take place on the roof or at the top of one of Paris' mythical monuments, such as the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe, the Grand Palais, etc.

10. WRITING OF AN EPISODE

Opening credits: 30" (song)

Episode: 21'27"

End credits: 3" (silent)

Allowed variable= +/- 5"

In each episode, two storylines unfold in parallel.

Marinette / Ladybug is the story engine: we can never lose sight of her and must always feel empathy with her. She's the starting point of every story.

Since season 3, Adrien/Cat Noir can also be the driving force of a story.

- **Plot A** focuses on Ladybug and Cat Noir as they try to defeat Hawk Moth. To that end, they must capture the Akuma to defeat the villain of the day.

This plot is built around:

- The duel with the villain
- An investigation (if necessary)
- The Ladybug / Cat Noir relationship
- Hawk Moth's plan to manipulate the akumatized villain and get hold of the Miraculous

- **Plot B** focuses on our heroine Marinette and/or Adrien and one everyday life adventure.

Create a link between plot A and plot B.

Build an emotional arc/journey, a stake, around Marinette and/or Adrien. What does she learn in each story?

At the end, there's always a duel with the villain which ends with the capture of the akuma (see Ladybug's ritual).

Important rules for the writers:

- ✓ At all time, we must feel empathy with Marinette/Ladybug, understand and emotionally feel what she's going through.
- ✓ We can develop the Marinette/Adrien relationship.
- ✓ As much as possible, we should link the action plot to the sitcom one. Create a theme/a problem that will be solved in plot B thanks to what we learn in plot A (for instance).
- ✓ As for the "romance" part, we must play with what the characters say and the way each one interprets what the other one says.
They're always wondering "Did X really say that?"
Ex: Rumor has it Alya and Adrien are dating. *For real?!*
Rumor has it *what's-their-name* said that Adrien liked something in particular. Marinette will follow that track.
"I'm sure he just looked at me!"
"He told me *such thing*, I'm sure he's into me!" Etc.
- ✓ From time to time, there can be revelations linked to Hawk Moth and his objective.
- ✓ Don't use anime tropes in the texts: sweat drops, heart eyes, manga "expressions"
...

11. TRANSFORMATION GLOSSARY

Ground rules:

1. Specific magic words for simple transformations only.
2. Different magic words between heroes and villains for simple transformations only.
3. Use of the kwamis' names for transformations only (except for kwamis' elemental transformation)

Simple Transformation: Human > Super + 1 Miraculous

SUPERHERO (Miraculous used for the greater good):

Transformation = Name of the kwami + Specific good magic words

EX: **Marinette > Ladybug**: Tikki, spots on!

SUPER-VILLAIN (Miraculous used for evil purposes):

Transformation = Name of the kwami + Specific evil magic words

EX: **Gabriel > Hawk Moth**: Nooroo, dark wings rise!

(Note: Hawk Moth's transformation/de-transformation's magic words would be different if he wanted to use his power for the greater good. We still haven't settled on this in the show, but it is possible that using one's powers for good or evil purposes changes things when it comes to said powers, like power bonuses or penalties, like in role-playing. We're leaving that door open.)

Simple De-Transformation: Super + 1 Miraculous > Human

SUPERHERO:

De-transformation = Specific good magic words

EX: **Ladybug > Marinette**: Spots off!

SUPER-VILLAIN:

De-transformation = Specific evil magic words

EX: **Hawk Moth > Gabriel**: Dark wings fall!

Multiple Transformation: Human > Super + X Miraculous

SUPERHERO / SUPER-VILLAIN:

Transformation = Names of the X kwamis + numeral adj. + "Metamorphosis!"

EX w/ 2: **Marinette > Ladybee**: Tikki, Pollen, dual metamorphosis!

EX w/ 3: **Marinette > Pennybug**: Tikki, Kaalki, Fluff, triple metamorphosis!

Multiple De-Transformation: Super + X Miraculous > Human

SUPERHERO / SUPER-VILLAIN:

De-transformation = "Reverse morphosis!"

EX: **Shadow Moth > Gabriel**: Reverse morphosis!

Fusion: Super + 1 Miraculous > Super + X Miraculous

Transformation = Names of the X kwamis + "Unify!"

EX: **Ladybug > Dragonbug**: Tikki, Longg, unify!

Fission: Super + X Miraculous > Super + 1 Miraculous

De-transformation = "Divide!"

EX: **Ladybug > Dragonbug**: Divide!

Elemental Transformation: Human > Super + 1 Miraculous + Elemental Power

SUPERHERO:

- 1) The holder gives a specific magicaron (or other food) to the kwami and says the Name of the kwami + "Power up!"

EX: **Marinette**: Tikki, power up!

- 2) The kwami eats the magicaron, transforms, and says their new name.

EX: **Tikki**: Aquatikki !

- 3) The holder transforms:

New name of the kwami + Specific good magic words

EX: **Marinette** > **Aquabug**: Aquatikki, spots on!

SUPER-VILLAIN:

- 1) The holder gives a specific magicaron (or other food) to the kwami and says the Name of the kwami + "Power up!"

EX: **Gabriel**: Nooroo, power up!

- 1) The kwami eats the magicaron, transforms, and says their new name.

EX: **Nooroo**: Aquanooroo !

- 4) The holder transforms:

New name of the kwami + Specific evil magic words

EX: **Gabriel** > **Aquamoth**: Aquanooroo, dark wings rise !

Elemental De-transformation: Super + 1 Miraculous + Elemental Power > Human

SUPERHERO:

De-transformation = Specific good magic words

EX: **Aquabug** > **Marinette**: Spots off!

SUPER-VILLAIN:

De-transformation = Specific evil magic words

EX: **Aquamoth** > **Gabriel**: Dark wings fall!

*Elemental Upgrade: Super + 1 Miraculous > Super + 1
Miraculous + Elemental Power*

SUPERHERO / SUPER-VILLAIN:

Transformation = The holder eats a specific magicaron + "Power up!"

EX: *Ladybug > Aquabug: Power up!*

*Elemental Downgrade: Super + 1 Miraculous + Elemental Power
> Super + 1 Miraculous*

SUPERHERO / SUPER-VILLAIN:

De-transformation = "Power down!"

EX: *Aquabug > Ladybug: Power down!*

Examples

GABRIEL

Gabriel > Shadow Moth

"Nooroo, Duusu, dual metamorphosis!"

Shadow Moth > Gabriel

"Reverse morphosis!"

Hawk Moth > Shadow Moth

"Nooroo, Duusu, unify!"

MARINETTE

Marinette > Ladybug

"Tikki, spots on!"

Marinette > Ladybee

"Tikki, Pollen, dual metamorphosis!"

Marinette > Pegabug

"Tikki, Kaalki, dual metamorphosis!"

Marinette > Pennybug

"Tikki, Kaalki, Fluff, triple metamorphosis!"

Marinette > Aquabug

"Tikki, power up!" - "Aquatikki!" - "Aquatikki, spots on!"

Aquabug > Ladybug

"Power Down !"

Marinette > LadyIce

"Tikki, power up!" - "Stalactikki!" - "Satalactikki, spots on!"

Marinette > Cosmobug

"Tikki, power up!" - "Cosmotikki!" - "Cosmotikki, spots on!"

Ladybug > Cosmobug

"Power up!"

Ladybug > Dragonbug

"Tikki, Longg, unify!"

Ladybug > Pegabug

"Tikki, Kaalki, unify!"

Ladybug > Beebug

"Tikki, Pollen, unify!"

Ladybug > Pennybug

"Tikki, Kaalki, Fluff, unify!"

Pennybug > Ladybug

"Divide!"

12. EPISODE SUMMARIES

SEASON 1_SYNOPSIS

Two high-school students, Marinette and Adrien, are chosen to become Paris' superheroes: Ladybug and Cat Noir. They each have a Miraculous, a jewel linked to the magical creatures (Kwamis) that give them powers.

Their mission is to keep Hawk Moth – who wants to steal their Miraculoses – from wreaking havoc on the town by creating ever fiercer supervillains – all while living their high school lives and keeping their identities secret.

At school, Marinette has a crush on Adrien but cannot tell him, so she acts awkwardly whenever he is around. As a superhero, Cat Noir loves Ladybug, but his ego annoys her: besides, Marinette prefers Adrien anyway!

Throughout the school year and their adventures, Ladybug discovers many nice qualities in Cat Noir while Marinette grows ever closer to Adrien, making huge efforts to overcome her shyness.

101_STORMY WEATHER

Written by: Fred Lenoir

Aurore Boréale lost a contest where the viewers had to elect a new weather girl for the Kidz Plus channel. Akumatized by Hawk Moth, she becomes Stormy Weather and takes revenge on all those who did not vote for her. Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to fight against her power, which throws Paris into meteorological turmoil.

Dark skies for Marinette! She's in charge of babysitting Manon, a little girl who challenges her authority, while her crush Adrien does a photo shoot in the park.

In order to help Marinette get closer to Adrien, her best friend Alya insists on looking after Manon. But Stormy Weather disrupts Marinette's plans by trapping Alya and the little girl beneath a dome of ice!

102_THE EVILLUSTRATOR

Written by: Matthieu Choquet

Chloe makes fun of Nathaniel, a fellow student in love with Marinette. Hurt, he gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now the Evillustrator and armed with his sketchpad and pencil, he is determined to erase any obstacle standing in his way to take revenge on Chloé and write her out of his life.

Ladybug cannot transform, for Marinette is the only one who can appease the Evillustrator. Cat Noir will thus have to face him alone, guided from a distance by our superheroine.

Meanwhile, after realizing how mean Chloe is, Sabrina has decided that Marinette is her new best friend! But this new friend soon proves to be intrusive and unmanageable for Marinette / Ladybug.

103_LADY WIFI

Written by: Sébastien Thibaudreau

While Marinette misses school again due to her overwhelming double-life, her best friend Alya thinks she has discovered that Chloe is the one hiding behind Ladybug's

mask. Since Chloé cannot stand having Alya nose around her stuff, the former manages to get the latter expelled from high school.

Outraged by this injustice, Alya gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now Lady Wifi and armed with her cellphone, she is determined to take revenge on Chloé by exposing her. But as she tries to gather evidence, she may well put Ladybug's real secret identity at risk!

Ladybug and Cat Noir will need to do everything in their power to stop Lady Wifi and to protect the superheroine's secret identity!

104_PRINCESS FRAGRANCE

Written by: Léonie de Rudder / Matthieu Choquet

The day does not start too well for Marinette: not only is Tikki very sick but, by constantly putting off the moment to take her to the doctor, our heroine ends up losing her kwami out of negligence!

Meanwhile, Rose – a fellow student with a very romantic nature – gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now Princess Fragrance and armed with her bottle of perfume, she causes a fragrant mayhem throughout the capital and abducts her “beloved”, a Prince visiting Paris.

Since Cat Noir gets bewitched by Princess Fragrance, it's up to Ladybug to face the villain... and Cat Noir!

But without Tikki, Marinette can no longer turn into Ladybug! And so begins a race against time as our heroine tries to find Tikki and take her to the healer so that Ladybug can finally save Paris.

105_DARK CUPID

Written by: Régis Jaulin

It's Valentine's Day and Marinette discovers that Adrien has written a poem for a girl he sees everyday... What if she was this mysterious stranger? In order to find out, she decides to write a card to Adrien in which she tells him how she feels.

In her enthusiasm, she encourages Kim to declare his love to Chloé too. But Chloé rudely rejects Kim. Humiliated, Kim gets akumatized by Hawk Moth and becomes Dark Cupid. Armed with a bow and evil roses, the dark cherub wants to erase love and friendship from the Parisians' hearts and replace them with hate!

Ladybug and Cat Noir step in, but they don't know that their feelings will be put to the test... Will our superheroes save love in time? And will Marinette have the courage to send her card to Adrien?

106_MR. PIGEON

Written by: Guillaume Mautalent / Sébastien Oursel

Mr. Ramier enjoys feeding pigeons, but the park keepers forbid him to and banish him. Akumatized as Mr. Pigeon and with the help of his feathered friends, he wants to turn the capital into a true kingdom for pigeons. He thus abducts their sworn enemies, the park keepers, and the town is soon invaded by pigeons.

Ladybug and Cat Noir must get rid of this bird-brained villain, but Cat Noir's allergies will not make it easy for them.

To top it off, Marinette only has a few hours to design a hat for a talent contest organized by the school: Adrien will model the winning design in his next photo

shoot! The clock is ticking for Marinette, who also has to save Paris as Ladybug! Even worse, she doesn't realize that Chloe plans on stealing her design in order to win!

107_PIXELATOR

Written by: Guillaume Mautalent / Sébastien Oursel

Vincent Asa is a fan of rock star Jagged Stone. He dreams of getting a picture of him and his idol posing like friends. But Vincent gets rejected by the star once again. Furious, he gets akumatized by Hawk Moth and turns into Pixelator. Armed with his camera, he imprisons innocent Parisians in his memory card and is determined to capture the image of his idol... for good!

Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to stop him before he captures them too!

The same day, Marinette's class spends the day at the Grand Paris hotel, where Jagged is staying, for a work experience field trip. Because of Chloé, Marinette ends up doing a thankless job and has to tend to Jagged's every need. But Marinette does not feel like working and would rather spend the day with Adrien.

Will Marinette manage to fulfill her missions and still have time to spend with Adrien?

108_COPYCAT

Written by: Sébastien Thibaudeau / Pascal Boutboul

Oh no! Marinette left a message on Adrien's voicemail by mistake, in which she confesses her feelings for him. She has to find Adrien's phone before he does in order to erase the compromising message!

Caught up in her race against the clock, she cannot attend the unveiling of a Ladybug and Cat Noir sculpture created by Théo Camiel, a sculptor in love with her. Cat Noir makes the most of her absence to have Theo believe that there is more than friendship between Ladybug and him. Disappointed and jealous, Theo gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now Copycat, a true copy of Cat Noir, he intends to get rid of the superhero by having him accused of theft in order to take his place in Ladybugs' heart.

Ladybug has to prove that her partner is innocent and that a Copycat is prowling around Paris. But will she be able to tell the true Cat Noir from the false?

109_THE BUBBLER

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Nino could not convince Adrien's father to throw a birthday party for his best friend. Disappointed, he gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now The Bubbler and armed with his magic bubble sword, he gets rid of the adults, those party poopers, by trapping them in bubbles before sending them up into the sky.

Ladybug has to face The Bubbler alone because Cat Noir is not here... Indeed, Adrien was persuaded to enjoy the party thrown by the Bubbler in the absence of his father.

As for Ladybug, she is torn between her mission as a super heroine and her desire, as Marinette, to take advantage of Adrien's birthday to finally make an impression on him.

110_SIMON SAYS

Written by: Fred Lenoir

While participating in a TV talent contest where he performs a hypnotist act, Simon Grimault is humiliated by Adrien's father, Gabriel Agreste. Akumatized by Hawk Moth, he turns into Simon Says. Armed with his deck of cards, all he has to do is give an order and everyone obeys him. And the villain is determined to use his new gift to take revenge on Gabriel, hypnotizing all of Paris in his path.

Ladybug and Cat Noir must step in. Cat Noir / Adrien to protect his father, and Ladybug / Marinette to save Adrien's father and Adrien himself, the one she loves and believes is in danger!

Unfortunately, due to her repeated lateness and absence from class, Marinette is grounded and must stay at home. Will she find a way to sneak past her parents in order to transform and go to Adrien's to stop Simon Says?

111 ROGERCOP

Written by: Denis Bardiau

It is parents' career day at school and Chloé accuses Marinette of stealing her new bracelet! While trying to bring order to the class, police officer Roger, Sabrina's dad, is fired by the Mayor, Mr. Bourgeois. Furious and humiliated, he gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now Rogercop, a supervillain who claims to embody the law, he is determined to take revenge against the Mayor and to establish authoritarian rule in the city.

Cat Noir and Marinette will have to prove that they are the real righters of wrongs in Paris and to prove Marinette innocent.

The latter, determined to clear her name, unwittingly sows discord among her classmates and soon finds out that justice is not that simple...

112 GAMER

Written by: Guillaume Mautalent / Sébastien Oursel

Adrien and Max are supposed to represent the high school in a major videogame tournament. But Marinette has something else in mind! In order to spend some time with Adrien, she manages to take Max's place by beating him in an impromptu challenge. What she had not planned, though, is that Adrien would have to go to her place to practice!

Both troubled and excited, Marinette will not have the time to enjoy this improvised date, for Max, disappointed and humiliated, got akumatized.

Now, as the Gamer, he controls a large robot that wreaks havoc on the whole town. Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to team up to fight against a now very real robot. No second chances in this game!

113 ANIMAN

Written by: Cédric Perrin / Jean-Christophe Hervé

Thinking she is about to spend the afternoon at the zoo with Adrien and Nino, Marinette finds herself alone with Nino. He is in love with her and, coached from a distance by Adrien, he tries to tell her how he feels. But he is too intimidated and ends up saying that he loves Alya. The latter is also coaching Marinette and hears

everything. Despite her best friend's reluctance, Marinette suggests a date between Nino and Alya!

But in the meantime, Kim and Max, who had come to admire the zoo's new panther, humiliate Otis the zookeeper. Akumatized into Animan, the latter turns into a black panther and causes mayhem in town.

Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to chase him across the Parisian jungle to stop him. But this is easier said than done, for Animan has the power to transform into all kinds of animals, from the strongest to the most cunning...

114_DARKBLADE

Written by: Léonie de Rudder / Matthieu Choquet

Oh no! While trying to ridicule Marinette in order to ruin her chances at becoming class representative, Chloé manages to get her hands on Marinette's diary, where the latter keeps all her secrets... including the fact that she is Ladybug! Marinette must get her diary back before Chloé can read it!

Meanwhile, Adrien's fencing instructor gets akumatized into Darkblade after losing the local elections. Armed with his sword, he transforms people into knights so that they can storm City Hall and overthrow Mayor Bourgeois.

As it turns out, Chloé has gathered all of Marinette's classmates at City Hall in support of her own campaign for class representative!

Marinette will have to choose between transforming into Ladybug to defend City Hall with Cat Noir and remaining as Marinette to comfort her terrified classmates – all while trying to get her diary back before Chloe reads it!

115_THE PHARAOH

Written by: Cédric Bacconnier

After Ladybug slips up, Alya becomes convinced that the superheroine goes to her school. In order to keep Alya from uncovering her secret, Marinette takes her best friend to the museum on Tikki's advice – without even knowing why.

There, Alix's big brother Jalil, a young Egyptologist, gets akumatized by Hawk Moth and becomes Pharaoh, a supervillain with the powers of the Ancient Egyptian gods. He intends to sacrifice Alya in a ritual to bring his long-lost love – an ancient Egyptian princess – back to life.

If they want to stop him, Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to fight against an army of mummies and unearth strange secrets dating back over 5,000 years. And who knows? Our superheroine may well learn one thing or two about her past...

116_TIMEBREAKER

Written by: Michaël Delachenal / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Alix's classmates unwittingly break a priceless watch that her father just gave her for her birthday. Furious, Alix gets akumatized by Hawk Moth and turns into Timebreaker. Armed with her inline skates, she wants to use her classmates' energy – which in turn causes them to disappear – to go back in time and save her watch. As she tries to stop Timebreaker, Ladybug also winds up travelling back in time!

With the help of Cat Noir and her double from the past, Ladybug has to neutralize Timebreaker. But this is no easy task, for Timebreaker also has a double!

As for Marinette, she has to stay at the bakery to deliver an order for her parents, but she had forgotten that she also had to join her friends at a challenge between Alix and Kim. Will Marinette have time to honor all of her commitments?

117_HORRIFICATOR

Written by: Fred Lenoir

Marinette's class has to make a short horror film for a festival. As the designated producer, Marinette must do everything she can to finish filming by the end of the day. But the lead actress Mylène is too scared to play her part and some of her classmates do not hesitate to criticize her. Hurt, she leaves the set. Marinette now has to stand in for her during the scene where she kisses the lead actor... Adrien! Meanwhile, Mylène gets akumatized by Hawk Moth and turns into Horrificator, a slimy monster that feeds on its victims' fear.

Forced to interrupt the filming, the students investigate across the school but start disappearing one by one.

Will Ladybug and Cat Noir manage to save their friends, stop Horrificator, and transform back into Marinette and Adrien in time to finish the film?

118_THE PUPPETEER

Written by: Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette babysits little Manon once again and lets her play with a set of handmade dolls modeled after Ladybug, Cat Noir, and some famous villains.

Due to a misunderstanding, however, Manon is wrongly accused of stealing a doll from Marinette and gets akumatized. Now the Puppeteer, she gives life to the villains' dolls and resolves to seize the Ladybug and Cat Noir ones – all in hopes of controlling the superheroes and bringing their Miraculouses to Hawk Moth.

Unfortunately, the Puppeteer manages to get ahold of the Cat Noir doll and Ladybug finds herself facing the threat alone.

Our superheroine cannot lose control or the Puppeteer will take her doll: then there will be no one left to save Paris!

119_THE MIME

Written by: Françoise Charpiat & Karine Lollichon / Thomas Astruc / Michaël Delachenal / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Oh no! Marinette accidentally erased a video that Alya had taken of Ladybug complimenting her on the Ladyblog! Afraid that Alya will be furious, Marinette decides to hide the truth from her and transforms into Ladybug to recreate the erased video. But her plan gets compromised when a new villain emerges...

Mylène's father Fred Haprèle was supposed to play the part of a mime in a newly premiering play, but his understudy betrays him. Akumatized by Hawk Moth, Fred turns into the Mime. Now, whatever he acts out comes to life and he is determined to use his new powers for revenge!

Ladybug will have to put a hold on her other "project" in order to stop him – with the help of Cat Noir, of course. Will she have enough time to stop the Mime and replace Alya's video?

120_GUITAR VILLAIN

Written by: Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette is entrusted with designing the cover of a new album of her favorite singer, rock-star Jagged Stone! Pressured by the star's bossy manager, Marinette second guesses her instincts and Jagged Stone rejects her design. Marinette decides to do it again – this time her way.

But in the meantime Jagged Stone – humiliated and exhausted by his rivalry with an arrogant young singer named Mr. XY – gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now Guitar Villain, the hardest rock villain of all time, he rides his croc-dragon across Paris and uses his electric guitar to make the whole city dance. His goal: to take revenge on Mr. XY by turning every single Parisian into his biggest fan.

If they want to stop him, Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to sharpen their wits!

121_REFLEKTA

Written by: Sophie Lodwitz & Eve Pislér

As the victim of a « jinx », Juleka has never appeared in the class photo. This year, Marinette decides to help her break the curse. But, much to Marinette's surprise, Chloé manages to exclude Juleka from the photo shoot. To comfort Juleka, Marinette decides to get rid of the picture so that the photographer will have to take another one.

But Juleka, inconsolable, gets akumatized. Now Reflekta, she'll do anything to get people to notice her – namely, turning everyone – including Cat Noir – into copies of herself!

Hampered by a Reflektized Cat Noir – who no longer has the use of his powers – Ladybug will have to act fast if she wants to keep from turning into an exact copy of her enemy!

122_LADYBUG & CAT NOIR (ORIGINS – PART 1)

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Sébastien & Quentin Thibaudeau

It's the first day of school and – just like every year – Marinette ends up in the same class as Chloé, who loves to bully her. But Marinette also befriends Alya, a new student who will not let anyone get in her way.

Adrien, a famous model, would like to attend school like any normal teenager, but his overprotective and overbearing father forbids him from doing so. As Cat Noir, however, he can finally experience the joy of freedom and thus express his bold, mischievous self.

While Adrien is more than happy to become a superhero, Marinette struggles with becoming Ladybug: she lacks confidence and does not feel worthy of her powers. Watch the first encounter between Ladybug and Cat Noir and the origins of our superheroes in their very first mission!

123_STONE HEART (ORIGINS – PART 2)

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Sébastien & Quentin Thibaudeau

Adrien decides to disobey his father and go to school for the first time. This is where he and Marinette meet, but a misunderstanding leads her to believe that Adrien is just as bad as Chloé (with whom he is friends).

Our high-school students won't have time to get to know each other, however, for they now have to face Stone Heart, alias Ivan, akumatized by Hawk Moth. Adrien does not hesitate to transform into Cat Noir, but Marinette lacks confidence and does not want to become Ladybug.

But when Stone Heart threatens Paris, Cat Noir, and her best friend Alya, Ladybug is the only one who can save them. Understanding that she can only help her loved ones as Ladybug, Marinette finally embraces her new role as a superheroine. Back at school, Marinette meets Adrien again. After such disastrous beginnings, how will she end up falling in love with him?

124_ ANTIBUG

Written by: Sébastien Thibaudeau

Ladybug's number-one fan, Chloé, tries to help the superheroine capture a villain's akuma. Ladybug refuses to listen to Chloé's advice and the villain escapes. Ladybug and Cat Noir finally manage to stop the villain, but an argument breaks out between Ladybug and Chloé, who's furious about getting the cold shoulder from her idol. Disappointed, Chloé gets akumatized into Antibug, an evil twin of Ladybug with the same powers. And Antibug is determined to take revenge on Ladybug for making her suffer such humiliation.

To stop her, Ladybug and Cat Noir do some investigating at the Grand Paris, a luxury hotel owned by Chloé's father. They just might learn a thing or two about Chloé and Sabrina...

125_ KUNG FOOD

Written by: Fred Lenoir / Matthieu Choquet

Marinette meets her great-uncle Cheng Sifu, a Chinese chef. Since Marinette does not speak a word of Chinese, Alya suggests that she ask Adrien to help interpret. Together, Marinette and Adrien go with Cheng Sifu to a cooking competition at the Grand Paris, the luxury hotel owned by Chloé's father.

But after an argument with Marinette, Chloé sabotages Cheng Sifu's dish. The latter is humiliated and gets akumatized into Kung Food. All those who have tasted his dish fall under his power and become fearsome fighters, whom Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to fight in order to rescue a hostage Chloé.

Stopping Kung Food will not be a piece of cake for Ladybug and Cat Noir!

126_ VOLPINA

Written by: Matthieu Choquet / Léonie de Rudder

Marinette has a rival at school, a new student named Lila who seems a bit too interested in Adrien. Lila tells him that she knows a lot about superheroes and that she even knows Ladybug!

Furious to see Adrien under someone's spell, Marinette transforms into Ladybug to catch Lila in her lie. But, by humiliating Lila in front of Adrien, Ladybug makes a new enemy. Akumatized, Lila becomes Volpina, the mistress of illusions. Volpina pretends to be a superheroine who wants to form an alliance with Ladybug and Cat Noir, though she actually has a far different goal: to divide and destroy them.

Will Ladybug and Cat Noir be duped?

SEASON 2_SYNOPSIS

At school, a new student named Kagami catches Adrien's attention, which Marinette is quick to notice. However, Marinette herself meets Luka, who may well sow confusion in her heart...

She also meets the Guardian of the Miraculous, Master Fu, and learns about the existence of other Miraculous. Thanks to them, she will be able to occasionally enlist the help of other superheroes of her choice for particularly difficult missions.

Finally, she finds out that Hawk Moth has a dreadful plan that he has been working on for a very long time and that he is determined to implement to defeat Cat Noir and her!

How will Marinette and Adrien deal with all these new emotions?

And will Ladybug and Cat Noir manage to stop Hawk Moth from going through with his evil plan?

201_THE COLLECTOR

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

After Marinette has gotten hold of Adrien's grimoire, which contains all the secrets of the Miraculous, Tikki introduces her to Master Fu. According to the latter, there's a chance the owner of the book is also Hawk Moth! Marinette panics: could her beloved Adrien be the supervillain she relentlessly fights every day?

She eventually finds out that the real owner of the grimoire is actually Adrien's father, Gabriel Agreste. She decides to transform into Ladybug to investigate and find out if Gabriel really is Hawk Moth.

But when she arrives at his place, the designer has been akumatized! Now the Collector, he captures everything he touches inside an evil sketchbook.

Will Ladybug and Cat Noir, completely distraught by having to fight his own father, manage to stop the Collector and to discover the face behind Hawk Moth's mask?

202_PRIME QUEEN

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Paris favorite reporter Nadja Chamack has invited Ladybug and Cat Noir on her TV set for an exclusive live interview. But Marinette had completely forgotten that she had promised Nadja to babysit Manon for the occasion! After promising a girls' night to Alya, Marinette eventually leaves her to take care of Manon and transforms into Ladybug to go to the interview. But on the set, Nadja, ready for anything to get a fake scoop, tries to trap the two superheroes into admitting that they're a couple!

Exasperated, Ladybug ends up leaving the live set, followed by Cat Noir.

Devastated, Nadja Chamack gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now Prime Queen and armed with her smartwatch, she wants to force Ladybug and Cat Noir to admit that they're in love to make the ratings skyrocket.

Our superheroes can't let Prime Queen steal the show!

203_GLACIATOR

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette is meeting Alya and some of their friends from class to go get ice cream at legendary Parisian ice-cream maker André's. According to legend, couples who eat ice cream at André's will stay in love forever! Marinette hopes Adrien will be there, but he doesn't show up. And for good reason: he's transformed into Cat Noir to prepare a candlelit dinner for Ladybug!

Disappointed by Adrien's absence, Marinette refuses to eat the ice cream André's made for her.

Crushed, the ice-cream maker gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now Glaciator and armed with his ice-cream scoop, he turns people into ice cream... which quickly starts to melt!

Ladybug and Cat Noir, on whom his Lady's absence at his romantic date has had a slightly cooling effect, will have to put their quarrels aside and join forces to stop Glaciator before everyone in Paris melts!

204_DESPAIR BEAR

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Nolwenn Pierre / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Chloé has gone too far this time: she's gotten the whole class punished! Adrien warns her: if she wants him to stay friends with her, she has to learn to be nice. Chloé decides to throw a party at the Palace and to invite everyone from school. Coached by her butler, who uses her teddy bear to encourage her, Chloé tries hard and manages to be kind for a while. But something makes her fly off the handle and she ends up firing her butler in front of all her guests!

Humiliated, the butler gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now Despair Bear, he can manipulate anyone he touches. And he's determined to use his power to get revenge on Chloé!

Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to act fast if they don't want to lost control!

205_TROUBLEMAKER

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Nolwenn Pierre / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette is really excited: today, famous rock star Jagged Stone is a guest on a reality show which will be set... in her parents' bakery!

But nothing goes as planned: as everyone rushes to her with requests, Jagged Stone's assistant Penny Rolling gets overwhelmed and Hawk Moth akumatizes her into Troublemaker. Armed with a pen that allows her to make herself intangible at will, she moves from being the one who used to solve everyone else's problems to being the one who causes problems to everyone!

Trapped in the bakery, Marinette will have to find a way to slip away and transform into Ladybug to help Cat Noir defeat Troublemaker.

Our two superheroes must stop the villain before she gets everyone into trouble!

206_GIGANTITAN

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Today is a big day for Marinette: she and her friends Mylène, Rose, Juleka and, of course, her BFF Alya, have come up with a theoretically foolproof plan to help Marinette ask Adrien out on a romantic stroll! But nothing goes as planned and Adrien's bodyguard, annoyed by the girls, soon becomes a prime target for Hawk Moth. However, as the latter tries to akumatize him, the Gorilla calms down and the akuma turns to another prey: a young child crossing its path and frustrated because his mother won't let him have a lollipop.

Now Gigantitan, a giant baby with incredible strength, the child crisscrosses Paris looking for a lollipop and destroying everything in his path!

Will Ladybug manage to stop Gigantitan? And Will Marinette go on the romantic stroll with Adrien?

207_RIPOSTE

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

As Marinette takes part in fencing tryouts to try and get closer to Adrien, a mysterious masked fencer shows up and challenges Adrien. But when Marinette makes a refereeing mistake, the fencer loses her duel against Adrien.

Humiliated, she gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now Riposte and armed with her saber, she wants to get revenge on Adrien by defeating him in another duel.

Marinette / Ladybug intervenes, showing unprecedented fury at the supervillain who wants to lash out at *her* Adrien. Stuck between Riposte, determined to attack him, and Ladybug, determined to protect him, Adrien can't turn into Cat Noir.

He will have to find a way to transform, though, if he wants to help Ladybug defeat the akumatized fencer...

208_BEFANA

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Today is a big day: it's Marinette's birthday! For the occasion, her friends and her parents have prepared a surprise party for her. But another surprise awaits her: her extravagant grandmother Gina has decided to spend the day with her, just like they did when Marinette was younger! When Marinette chooses to spend time with her friends rather than with her, a disappointed Gina gets akumatized.

Now Befana and armed with her magic candy gun, she wants to get revenge on Marinette and teach a lesson to all the Parisians she deems naughty.

Will Marinette manage to escape Befana? And will Ladybug dare to fight her own akumatized grandmother?

209_FRIGHTNINGALE

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Young American singer Laura Nightingale is visiting Paris to film the music video for her latest song: a declaration of love for Ladybug and Cat Noir. Dragged along to the audition by her friends, Marinette ends up chosen to play the role of Ladybug in the music video while Adrien will play Cat Noir! Will our heroes recognize each other?

We won't have time to find out: because of Chloé, upset that she didn't get the lead role, Laura gets akumatized by Hawk Moth.

Now Frightningale and armed with a magic mike, she wants to get revenge on Chloé and to turn Paris into a giant musical in which everyone will dance and sing unrelentingly if they don't want to get frozen forever. Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to keep the rhythm if they want to stop her!

210_GORIZILLA

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Mélanie Duval / Sébastien Thibaudeau

As Gabriel suspects Adrien of being Cat Noir, the latter manages to escape his bodyguard's vigilance and leave the house. But because of an advertisement film he's been in, he ends up being chased through the city by fans. Without meaning to, Marinette comes to his rescue and helps him to hide.

Unable to find Adrien, the bodyguard gets akumatized into Gorizilla, a giant gorilla endowed with extraordinary strength and an acute sense of smell.

An intense manhunt ensues, and Marinette and Adrien must escape both Adrien's fans *and* Gorizilla as they track them all through Paris.

Will Marinette and Adrien manage to evade them and transform into Ladybug and Cat Noir in time to stop the supervillain? And will Gabriel find out the truth about his son's double identity?

211_ROBOSTUS

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Max's best friend Markov is a small robot with feelings. But when Max brings Markov to school one day, Mrs. Mendeleiev and Principal Damocles treat him like a toy and separates him from Max. Drawing on Markov's despair, Hawk Moth akumatizes him into Robostus.

Now able to bring inanimate objects to life, Robostus wreaks havoc in Paris. He wants to merge Ladybug and Cat Noir's Miraculous so that he'll never be apart from his friend Max again.

Will our two superheroes manage to reason with this very humane robot?

212_SAPOTIS

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

As Marinette and Alya are having a sleepover at the latter's, Alya's little sisters, twins Etta and Ella, won't stop making mischief. When Alya punishes them, the twins get akumatized by Hawk Moth.

Now Sapotis, small and out-of-control monsters who multiply upon eating, they wreak havoc across the city. Quickly overwhelmed by the situation and outnumbered by the mischievous Sapotis, Ladybug calls on a new superhero. She chooses Alya and entrusts her with the Fox Miraculous. Alya turns into Rena Rouge, the fox superheroine armed with an illusion flute!

Will the three superheroes manage to join forces and defeat the Sapotis? And will Alya agree to give her Miraculous back to Ladybug once the mission is over?

213_THE DARK OWL

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

The school principal Mr. Damocles like to dress up as the Owl, a superhero he admires and whose prowesses he tries to recreate. Unfortunately, Mr. Damocles is not as deft as his hero, and Ladybug and Cat Noir often have to fly to his rescue. While trying to help him during one of his missions, Ladybug and Cat Noir unwittingly humiliate him in public.

Shameful and furious, Mr. Damocles gets akumatized by Hawk Moth and turns into the Dark Owl. Armed with super high-tech gadgets remotely controlled by his computer Albert, he wants to humiliate Ladybug and Cat Noir and to defeat them so that he becomes the only superhero in Paris.

Our heroes will have to ruffle his feathers if they want to stop him!

214. SYREN

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

As Kim is having fun with his friend Ondine at the swimming pool, she tries to tell him that she has feelings for him. But Kim doesn't understand and abandons Ondine to go meet his friends... and Chloe, whom he is in love with!

Disappointed and jealous, Ondine gets akumatized by Hawk Moth and turns into Syren, a mermaid with fins and able to breath underwater. Syren floods Paris with her tears, determined to turn the city into an Underwater Kingdom for her and her prince.

Unable to fight her underwater, Ladybug and Cat Noir find out that their kwamis can give them special powers. They turn into Aquabug and Aquanoir, special aquatic versions of our heroes who can swim and breath underwater!

Will Aquabug and Aquanoir manage to dry Syren's tears?

215. ZOMBIZOU

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Wilfried Pain

Today is Marinette's favorite teacher Miss Bustier's birthday. But because of another of Chloe's nasty tricks, Marinette is on the verge of getting akumatized!

To protect her, Miss Bustier steps in and the akuma takes control of her instead.

Hawk Moth transforms her into Zombizou. Armed with an evil black lipstick, she wants to spread love in the city by blowing evil kisses to all the Parisians – but especially to Chloe, the heartless brat – to force them to love one another.

Ladybug and Cat Noir can't get zombizoufied if they want to save Chloe and Paris!

216. CAPTAIN HARDROCK

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Fred Lenoir / Jean-Rémi Perrin / Sébastien Thibaudeau

It's Fête de la Musique today in Paris! For the occasion, Marinette's friends will give a concert on Juleka's family houseboat, chaperoned by her mother Anarka, a rock'n'roll pirate mom! As a very disappointed Marinette finds out that Adrien won't be able to make it to the concert, she meets Juleka's older brother, Luka. Sweet and considerate, the latter may well sow seeds of doubt in Marinette's heart...

But as the band starts rehearsing, Agent Roger puts a damper on everyone's enthusiasm as he reproaches Anarka for being too loud. Disappointed and angry, she gets akumatized by Hawk Moth and turns into Captain Hardrock. Now steering an impregnable ship and armed with a pirate sword, she wants to blast her music across Paris. Prepare to board, mates Ladybug and Cat Noir!

217_FROZER

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaut

When Adrien turns to Marinette for romance advice, she unwittingly turns into a relationship advisor and ends up signing up for a double date at the ice rink: Kagami will go with Adrien and Luka will go with Marinette. But when they get there, they find Philippe, a figure skating coach, grappling with Mayor Bourgeois, who wants to close his ice rink. Distraught, Philippe gets akumatized by Hawk Moth and turns into Frozer. Armed with evil ice skates, he wants to turn Paris into a Kingdom of Ice! As Ladybug and Cat Noir find out that they have special ice powers, Cat Noir decides to go off on his own, disheartened by another rejection from his lady. Will Ladybug and Cat Noir make up in time to defeat Frozer? And will Marinette and Adrien manage to sort out their feelings?

218_STYLE QUEEN (THE QUEENS' BATTLE – PART 1)

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaut

It's Fashion Week in Paris and everyone who's anyone has been invited to Gabriel Agreste's fashion show, during which Adrien will model a hat designed by Marinette. For the occasion, Chloe's mother Audrey Bourgeois, the International Queen of Fashion, is visiting the capital. But Gabriel / Hawk Moth manipulates her and Audrey gets akumatized. She turns into Style Queen, the most stylish villain in Paris! Armed with a scepter, she turns people into glitter statues and is determined to stop Gabriel's show... starting by attacking Adrien! Without Cat Noir's help, Ladybug is about to call on a new superhero for help but loses the Miraculous she was about to entrust them with... Will Ladybug manage to stop Style Queen and find the Miraculous before it falls into the wrong hands?

219_QUEEN WASP (THE QUEENS' BATTLE – PART 2)

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaut

Following Gabriel Agreste's fashion show, during which Adrien has modelled a hat designed by Marinette, Audrey Bourgeois – Queen of Fashion and Chloe's mother – congratulates Marinette on her talent and asks her to go to New York with her. Jealous, Chloe uses the Bee Miraculous Ladybug lost to transform into Queen Bee, determined to prove to her mother that she's just as exceptional as Marinette.

But nothing goes as planned and Chloe gets akumatized by Hawk Moth... while she's still Queen Bee!

Now Queen Wasp and at the head of an army of evil wasps, she wants to get revenge on Ladybug and Cat Noir, who won't consider her as a real superhero. Will Ladybug manage to stop Queen Wasp and retrieve Chloe's Miraculous? And will Marinette decide to leave Paris, her family and her friends behind to go and live in New York?

220_REVERSER

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Fred Lenoir

Marc is a student at school, and a very talented writer. He dreams of doing a comic book with Nathaniel, whose talent for drawing he admires, but he's far too shy to talk to him. Marinette decides to help him meet his idol, but nothing goes as planned! Because of a misunderstanding, Nathaniel thinks that Marc is making fun of him and rejects him. As for Marc, he's convinced that Marinette has lied to him. Disappointed and humiliated, Marc gets akumatized by Hawk Moth and turns into Reverser.

Crisscrossing Paris on his giant paper plane, he inverts the character of everyone in his path and is determined to get revenge on Nathaniel... and Marinette! Will Ladybug and Cat Noir manage to reverse the situation? And will Marinette manage to set the record straight?

221_ANANSI

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

As Marinette, Alya and Nino are about to go out, Alya's overprotective sister Nora steps in: all the recent akumatizations in Paris worry her. She refuses to let Alya go out, it's too dangerous. When Nino tells her that he'll protect Alya in case of danger, Nora lays down a challenge for him: if he wins, Alya can go with them. Impatient to go out, Marinette cheats and helps Nino to win.

Now alone and worried about her sister, Nora gets akumatized by Hawk Moth and turns into Anansi, a giant spider woman. Determined to prove to Alya that she needs her big sister to protect her, she wreaks havoc in Paris.

Overwhelmed by the situation, Ladybug decides to call on a new superhero to help Cat Noir and her. She chooses Nino, who turns into Carapace. It's time for him to prove his worth and show Nora that he can protect Alya!

222_MALEDIKTATOR

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

After making a fool of herself in front of the whole class, Chloe asks her father to avenge her. But Mr. Bourgeois might well be the mayor of Paris; there's still a limit to what he can do. Disappointed, Chloe threatens to go and live in New York with her mother.

Frantic and distraught, Mr. Bourgeois gets akumatized by Hawk Moth and turns into Malediktator.

Now invested with absolute power, he wants to make his daughter's dreams come true so that she stays in Paris with him. And her dreams include getting rid of Marinette, whom Chloe holds responsible for her public humiliation!

But when Cat Noir falls prey to Malediktator, Marinette / Ladybug has no choice but to call on Queen Bee for help, alias Chloe!

Will the two superheroes manage to stop the supervillain? And will Marinette and Chloe manage to make peace, or will Chloe leave Paris for good?

223_SANDBOY

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

While Tikki and Plagg are spending the night with the other kwamis in the Miracle Box to try and contact their friend Nooroo, a mysterious supervillain turns up in Paris. Flying over the city on his magic cloud, Sandboy gives life to the bad dreams of everyone in his path, including Marinette and Adrien. As a nightmarish vision of an Adrien in love with Chloe starts chasing Marinette around, the real Adrien gets imprisoned in his bedroom!

Moreover, without their kwamis, Marinette and Adrien can't transform into Ladybug and Cat Noir to go and face the enigmatic Sandboy...

Will they manage to find Tikki and Plagg in time to put an end to this nightmare?

224_CATALYST (HEROES' DAY – PART 1)

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

It's Heroes' Day in Paris and everyone must do a good deed. But Marinette hasn't had time to take care of hers, overwhelmed by her missions as Ladybug. Afraid that she'll disappoint her friends if she tells them that she hasn't planned anything, Marinette lies to them and quickly gets submerged by her own lies.

But the nightmare is just beginning, as Hawk Moth akumatizes his assistant Nathalie into Catalyst, a supervillain who will allow him to put the plan he's been preparing for so long into action... a plan that should allow him to finally defeat Ladybug and Cat Noir...

225_MAYURA – (HEROES' DAY – PART 2)

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

With Catalyst's help, Hawk Moth has turned into Scarlet Moth and finally put his dreadful plan into action by re-akumatizing all his former villains!

To face them, Ladybug and Cat Noir end up at the head of a team of superheroes made up of Rena Rouge, Queen Bee and Carapace. But the heroes aren't used to working together and quickly realize that they lack training. Very soon, they find themselves in an extremely difficult situation and are about to get defeated by Scarlet Moth...

Will the team of superheroes manage to defeat Scarlet Moth and his incredible army of supervillains?

Will Heroes' Day triumph... or will it turn into Villains' Day?

226_ SANTA CLAWS

Story: Jérémy Zag

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

It's Christmas! As Marinette and her family get ready for Christmas Eve dinner, Adrien is about to spend his first Christmas without his mother. Thinking that his father Gabriel doesn't want to celebrate, the saddened Adrien transforms into Cat Noir and leaves to sing his anger in a snowy Paris.

When Gabriel finds out that Adrien is gone, he starts a search for his son, fearing for him.

When she hears the news, Marinette transforms into Ladybug, determined to find her Adrien.

She finally finds him in the company of a Santa Claus, but thinks that the latter is an akumatized victim who's after Adrien.

Blinded by her love, Ladybug makes a mistake, causing the Santa Claus to feel negative emotions and actually become a victim of Hawk Moth. Now a supervillain, Santa Claws is determined to make this Christmas Eve the worst in Paris's history. Will Ladybug and Cat Noir manage to save Christmas?

SEASON 3_SYNOPSIS

Over time, Marinette and Adrien eventually became close friends. But Marinette learns that it is not any necessarily easier to declare your love to a friend, especially with Kagami becoming ever more present in Adrien's life. And on top of that, Lila is back at school, still lying through her teeth, and she finds out that Marinette knows the truth about her. Lila decides to get rid of her, at any cost!

Added to this already hectic daily life are increasingly dangerous adventures. Sure, our superheroes have new powers and teammates to help them, but Hawk Moth is stronger too. He can call on Mayura, a new villain who gives akumatized people allies.

Will Marinette and Adrien manage to keep their private lives from influencing their superhero adventures?

301_CHAMELEON

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

When Lila comes back to school, she successfully manipulates students and teachers to make sure everyone panders to her every whim. Everyone... except Marinette and Adrien, who are on to her. When they confront her with her own lies, Lila, offended, asks Hawk Moth to akumatize her.

Now Chameleon, she can take on the appearance of anyone... and she is determined to destroy Ladybug, who exposed her in the first place and whom she deems responsible for all her problems.

To stop her, Ladybug and Cat Noir must remember that things are not always what they seem to be.

302_ANIMAESTRO

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette's parents are catering for the premiere of the Ladybug and Cat Noir movie, where everyone who's anyone in Paris has been invited... including Adrien! Marinette decides to go, claiming that she wants to help her parents... but really determined to take advantage of the event to give Adrien a special macaron and show him how much he means to her.

But during the premiere, no one recognizes the film director, who gets treated as a perfect stranger and loses patience.

Humiliated and furious, he gets akumatized by Hawk Moth and becomes Animaestro.

Armed with his supervillain's mask, he can turn into anything he wants and is determined to show the world what an animated films director can do.

Cat Noir and Ladybug had better act fast if they don't want it to be a sellout!

303_BAKERIX

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudau

Today is Marinette's dad Tom's birthday. Sabine invites Tom's father, Roland, to come and celebrate with them, but Roland refuses: he hasn't left his home for 20 years, and he intends things to stay that way.

Wishing to make her dad happy, Marinette decides to go and meet her grandfather to convince him to join them. But once at his home, Marinette does not dare to introduce herself, intimidated by the grumpy, stubborn old man, and ends up lying to him about her identity.

When Roland finds out the truth, he is furious and gets akumatized by Hawk Moth.

Now Bakerix and gifted with superhuman strength, he is determined to destroy everything he deems to modern and go back to the Paris he used to know.

Will Ladybug dare to face her own akumatized grandfather? And will Marinette be able to convince Roland to come to Tom's birthday?

304_BACKWARDER

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudau

When Marinette finds out that Adrien is about to spend a whole weekend in London with Kagami, she decides to write him a letter expressing how she feels before it is too late. But a bedridden Master Fu entrusts her with a prescription and a letter for Marianne, an old friend to whom he could never confess his love. Marinette gets confused and mixes the recipients up, accidentally giving her letter to Adrien to Marianne, who misinterprets its contents.

Hurt and heartbroken, Marianne gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now Backwarder and armed with a magic wand, she wants to make up for lost time by stealing it from others.

Will Ladybug and Cat Noir manage to stop her before it is too late?

And will Marinette be able to give the right letter to Adrien?

305_REFLEKDOLL

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudau

When Marinette sets up a fashion show with her friends, she ends up playing models with Adrien! To better showcase Marinette's designs, they both take off their Miraculous and leave them in the trunk of a car acting as a dressing room.

Disappointed that she could not express her wish to be the model for the show, Juleka becomes Reflekta again. And when the supervillain shows up with a sentimonster, Marinette and Adrien find out that she is not just any akumatized victim and understand that Hawk Moth was helped by a special ally.

The urgency of the situation forces them to use the wrong Miraculous: Marinette gets Cat Noir's ring while Adrien gets Ladybug's earrings.

Will our superheroes manage to stop Reflekta and her sentimonster? And will they get their rightful Miraculous back?

306_WEREDAD

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

When Cat Noir nearly finds out that Marinette is Ladybug, Marinette panics and makes him believe that she is in love with him to divert his attention. Unfortunately, her parents witness the declaration and an ecstatic Tom decides to invite Cat Noir over for lunch at the Dupain-Chengs'.

But when the superhero tells them that he is not in love with Marinette, Tom, heartbroken for his daughter, gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now Weredad, a huge, monstrous guard dog-man, he locks Marinette up in a magic prison to protect her from the outside world and its heartaches. Separated from Tikki, Marinette cannot transform!

Will Cat Noir manage to reason with Weredad? And will Marinette find Tikki in time to stop her father?

307_SILENCER

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

When Bob Roth, the father and producer of famous XY, issues a call for bids aimed at finding new talents, Marinette sees a golden opportunity for the Kitty Section to get known to the wider public. She helps them to make and submit a music video, for which she creates the settings and costumes herself.

But soon, Marinette and her friends realize that Bob Roth has stolen Marinette's designs for his son XY. Furious for the girl he loves, Luka gets akumatized by Hawk Moth.

Now Silencer and armed with his mask, he steals peoples' voices and is determined to get revenge on Bob Roth.

Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to raise their voices if they want to stop him.

308_ONI-CHAN

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

When Lila manipulates Adrien, his bodyguard and even Nathalie to enter the Agreste mansion and spend some time with Adrien, she takes a photo of them together to capture the moment. Marinette, who has followed them and spied on them from outside, is green with envy. But she is not the only one...

Indeed, Kagami has received the photo too. Disappointed and jealous, she gets akumatized by Hawk Moth. Now Oni-Chan, she owns a magic mask that allows her

to teleport anywhere she wants via people's phones. And she is determined to keep Lila away from Adrien... for good!
Will Ladybug and Cat Noir manage to catch up with the elusive villain and to reason with her?

309_MIRACULER

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Mélanie Duval / Sébastien Thibaudeau

When Hawk Moth and Mayura let out a new sentimonster in Paris, Chloe is convinced that Ladybug and Cat Noir will call on Queen Bee for help. Impatient, she waits for them on the roof of the Palace, like she has been doing for months, ready to receive the Miraculous of the Bee... but in vain.

Sabrina tries to comfort her but Chloe, extremely disappointed, takes out her frustration on her friend. Jealous that Chloe only has eyes for Ladybug, Sabrina gets akumatized.

Now Miraculer, she can steal their powers from superheroes... and is determined to prove to Chloe that she is just as worthy of her interest as Ladybug!

Will our heroes manage to stop her before they lose their powers? And will Ladybug be able to reason with Chloe and explain to her why she can no longer be Queen Bee?

310_OBLIVIO

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Jean-Rémi Perrin / Sébastien Thibaudeau

When Ladybug and Cat Noir come to in an elevator in the Montparnasse Tower, they realize that they have lost their memory. They transform back into Marinette and Adrien in front of each other.

Their kwamis cannot help them, because they have forgotten everything too. And Plagg, determined to make the most of this new freedom, abandons them on the spot!

As they try to put the pieces together, Marinette and Adrien realize that a mysterious villain is prowling around the Tower...

Will our amnesic heroes manage to regain their memory and defeat Oblivio so that he is nothing but a bad memory?

311_DESPERADA

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Wilfried Pain / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Making the most of a Kitty Section band rehearsal, Marinette and Luka get closer. But when Adrien and Kagami arrive together, Marinette, jealous, soon forgets all about Luka.

And when Jagged Stone shows up looking for someone to replace the guitarist he fired earlier today, Marinette suggests Adrien the pianist, rather than Luka... the guitar player!

Desperada shows up at that moment. Jagged Stone's guitarist, akumatized after being fired, uses her magic guitarm to turn people into stickers... and she has it against Adrien, whom she thinks has replaced her!

Luka decides to protect Adrien, who as a result cannot transform into Cat Noir. Left alone to face the villain, Ladybug must call on a new superhero. And she picks Adrien to receive the Miraculous of the Snake and the power of second chance. But is Adrien really the best choice?

312_CHRIS MASTER

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette is babysitting Nino's little brother Chris when the child discovers her stock of gifts for Adrien. Very embarrassed, Marinette makes him believe that she is one of Santa's elves, and Chris asks to get his present right now. When Marinette refuses, Nino gets akumatized by Hawk Moth.

Now Chris Master and armed with a magic snow globe, he sends giant toys out to wreak havoc in a snow-covered Paris to find Santa Claus and get his present early. Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to remind the young supervillain that Christmas comes but once a year!

313_STARTRAIN

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Mélanie Duval / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Max's mom Claudie is waiting for test results to become an astronaut, her greatest dream! On the same day, Marinette's class is about to take the train – that Claudie drives – to spend the day in London. But an akuma destined to Agent Roger gets trapped in his daughter Sabrina's suitcase and escapes in the train, causing panic on board.

Too absorbed by Adrien, Marinette does not take action and the akuma flies to the cab, where Claudie, disappointed and concerned about not having received her test results yet, decides to let herself get akumatized.

Now Startrain, she wants to use her train as a rocket to go and explore space... taking all her passengers with her!

Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to call on a new superhero to help them on that high-flying mission!

314_KWAMIBUSTER

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

When Plagg makes a mistake, Mrs. Mendeleiev finds out about the kwami and Tikki. And she is determined to share her discovery with the world!

Since the kwamis do not have time to tell Marinette and Adrien about their misadventure, no one can stop the teacher from taking part in a TV show... during which she intends to share a video she took of the kwamis! But the show does not go as planned, and Mrs. Mendeleiev gets akumatized by Hawk Moth.

Now Kwamibuster, she wants to capture Tikki and Plagg to finally be able to prove to the world that the magic creatures exist.

Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to protect their secret at all costs!

315_FEAST

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

During the unveiling at the Louvre of a strange statue discovered in Tibet, Alya tells Marinette that she has made an intriguing discovery: a symbol that can be found on every depiction of superheroes... and which also appears on the statue! Troubled, Marinette turns to Master Fu. But when he sees the statue, the Guardian loses control. Terrified, he tells her that it is really a sentimonster, Feast, the result of the mistake he made when he was a child. And when Hawk Moth and Mayura bring the monster back to life to control it and make it find the Guardian and the Miracle Box, Master Fu takes Marinette and Adrien's Miraculous back to protect them. Next, he sets about leaving Paris with the Miracle Box, to save the city from Feast's all-consuming hunger. But our heroes are ready for anything to defend their Master, even if it means facing a sentimonster without their powers...

316_GAMER 2.0

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Max has designed a new video game in which the former akumatized villains can fight against each other. But none of his friends can help him test it, because they all have other things to do. As for Marinette, she would love to help Max, but she is even more snowed under than usual and as such, she has decided to quit video games. Disappointed that even Marinette, the biggest video game fan he knows, has rejected his offer, Max gets akumatized by Hawk Moth again. Now Gamer 2.0, he captures all the former akumatized villains and traps them in a life-size version of his game! Then, he challenges Ladybug and Cat Noir to play against him to free them. Let the game begin again!

317_STORMY WEATHER 2

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

As Marinette and Adrien chat with their respective kwamis and realize how much their lives have changed since they've become Ladybug and Cat Noir, Aurore Boreale gets akumatized again because of a hurtful remark from Chloe. Now Stormy Weather 2, she wants to prove her power by plunging the Earth into a never-ending winter. Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to keep their cool if they want to stop her!

318_IKARI GOZEN

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

On Friendship Day, a big treasure hunt is held in Paris. Pairs of friends picked at random have to find a celebrity hidden in the city, and that celebrity is none other than Adrien! Marinette is overexcited... until she finds out that she has to team up with Kagami. The latter has disobeyed her mother so that she could take part in the game. Fearing

that winning would make Adrien and Kagami even closer, Marinette decides to sabotage their game. But, overwhelmed by her scheming, she accidentally tells Kagami's mother that her daughter is participating in the treasure hunt. Furious that her daughter has disobeyed her, she gets akumatized into Ikari Gozen. Armed with her bokken, she wants to punish Kagami and lock her up forever in the giant armor that forms her body. Will Ladybug save her frenemy?

319_TIMETAGGER

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Ladybug and Cat Noir have just defeated Mr. Pigeon again when a mysterious supervillain shows up. Timetagger comes from the future and can create time portals that allow him to go back in time. He claims to have been sent by future Hawk Moth, about whom he has some startling revelations... His objective: to seize Ladybug and Cat Noir's Miraculous before they reach adulthood and become too powerful. If the heroes refuse to cooperate, he will not hesitate to send them way, way back into the past... Overwhelmed by this ultra-powerful villain, Ladybug and Cat Noir flee and run into Bunny, a superheroine who has come from the future to help them. Will the timeless team of superheroes overcome Timetagger?

320 PARTY CRASHER

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

A fan of Adrien's, Wayem, asks him to hang out, but Adrien answers that he is not allowed to have friends over. What Adrien does not know is that his friends from school have planned a hang out time at the Agrestes while Gabriel is away! As for Marinette, intrigued by the boys' absence, she decides to investigate. When she arrives at Adrien's, the hangout time between buddies has turned into a full-on party. Even Master Fu has joined the festivities incognito! Wayem shows up and, convinced that Adrien lied to him, he gets akumatized into Party Crasher. Able to absorb anything he touches into his disco ball fists, he wants to get revenge on Adrien. And when the villain makes Ladybug disappear, Master Fu has no other choice than to hand out Miraculous to Luka, Nino and Max so that they can help Cat Noir. Will the superheroes manage to save Ladybug and stop Party Crasher?

321 THE PUPPETEER 2

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette is babysitting young Manon when Alya calls to tell her that Adrien has a sitting at the Grévin wax museum, where his statue is exhibited. Alya, Nino, Manon and an over-the-moon Marinette go to the museum with Adrien, where Alya and Nino plot to make sure that Marinette has a moment alone with Adrien.

Completely abandoned by the big kids, who do not want to play with her, Manon gets akumatized into Puppeteer again.

Armed with her magic wand, she can bring the supervillains' statues to life and endow them with their original powers. And she is determined to have fun like never before in the unique playground that is the Grévin museum.

Ladybug and Cat Noir cannot stand still if they want to stop her!

322_CAT BLANC

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

When Marinette goes to Adrien's house to give him a present, she is refused entry. Disappointed, she decides to do what she has always been strictly forbidden to do: using her powers for personal gain. She transforms into Ladybug and drops her signed gift in Adrien's room.

But as she is leaving the room, Adrien enters and sees Ladybug taking off. He then finds the gift signed with Marinette's name and understands that they are one and the same.

As she leaves the mansion, Ladybug runs into Bunny, the superheroine from the future. Bunny has come to get her, because Marinette's mistake has had disastrous consequences on the future.

She takes Ladybug into the future, where the superheroine finds a Paris devastated by the last person she ever imagined would get akumatized... Cat Noir!

Will Ladybug manage to fix her mistake and save the future?

323_FELIX

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Today is a sad day for Adrien: it is the anniversary of the day he lost his mom. For the occasion, his aunt Amelie and cousin Felix visit the Agrestes.

Wishing to show Adrien that they are thinking about him too, his friends want to send him a video message in which they all say something nice... and Marinette finally tells him how she feels!

But Felix spirits Adrien's phone away and, making the most of his striking resemblance with his cousin, he pretends to be Adrien to record a response video... filled with hurtful messages.

Hurt and very disappointed, Alya, Rose and Juleka get akumatized into the Punishers Trio. Endowed with the powers of Lady Wifi, Princess Fragrance and Reflekta, they want to get revenge on Adrien, unaware that he is not the one who sent the video.

Will Ladybug and Cat Noir manage to stop them and set the record straight?

324_LADYBUG

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

When she notices that Adrien is becoming ever closer to Marinette, Lila, who promised the latter that she would make her life a nightmare, puts her plan into action. She manipulates all Marinette's close ones to make them turn against her, and even manages to have her expelled from school!

Marinette is distraught, but an even bigger problem awaits her. Indeed, disregarding Gabriel's orders to never use the Miraculous of the Peacock again, Nathalie transforms into Mayura and creates a new sentimonster... that looks just like Ladybug! She manipulates the sentimonster and wants to seize Ladybug and Cat Noir's Miraculous by sowing discord between the superheroes.

Will the real Ladybug manage to defeat the sentimonster? And will Marinette be able to denounce the lies of Lila and set the record straight?

325_HEARTHUNTER (THE BATTLE OF THE MIRACULOUS – PART 1)

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette helps Adrien and Kagami slip away from a ceremony organized by the Bourgeois couple for their twentieth wedding anniversary. The three friends are having fun, until Marinette notices how close Adrien and Kagami are and decides to leave them alone, sacrificing her own feelings for the boy she has always loved. But meanwhile, the Bourgeois' anniversary takes a turn for the worse and the couple gets akumatized.

Now Hearthunter, a Cerberus with two heads that keep fighting with each other, they devour all the love in Paris.

Overwhelmed by this ultra-powerful villain, Ladybug seeks help from Master Fu. But, still stricken by her amorous sacrifice, she makes a mistake that will turn out to be devastating...

226_MIRACLE QUEEN (THE BATTLE OF THE MIRACULOUS – PART 2)

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Mélanie Duval / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

Because of Marinette's mistake, Hawk Moth akumatizes Chloe into Miracle Queen. With help from her wasps, she takes control of the whole of Paris and forces the Miraculous wearers to come and serve her, thus revealing their true identities to Hawk Moth.

But thanks to Luka and Kagami's sacrifices, Marinette and Adrien escape the fatal stings and are able to transform.

Will Ladybug and Cat Noir manage to save their friends from Hawk Moth and Miracle Queen's control?

SEASON 4 & 5_SYNOPSIS

The adventure in Paris continues for Ladybug and Cat Noir, surrounded with new allies and fighting an ever more powerful and determined opponent. But great changes lie ahead for Ladybug and Cat Noir in their superhero lives, and for Marinette and Adrien in their lives at school. Changes that will make Miraculous' seasons 4 and 5 crucial...

401_TRUTH

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval – Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Ever since she became the new guardian of the Miracle Box, Marinette has been overwhelmed. She can no longer see her friends, deserts Cat Noir and misses all her dates with Luka. The boy feels that Marinette has a secret, but she cannot tell him that when she slips away, she becomes Ladybug and saves Paris. Deeply hurt that Marinette does not trust him enough to tell him her secret, Luka gets akumatized into Truth. Using his power to force people to tell the truth, he wants to know Marinette's secret... and Ladybug and Cat Noir's, too!

402_LIES

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval – Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Ever since Adrien met Kagami, he has found a new form of independence, without his superhero suit. With a life as strictly planned as Adrien's, Kagami knows how to create magical moments where they escape together, in secret. But when Adrien needs to turn into Cat Noir, he has no choice but to lie to Kagami. And she becomes aware of it. Heartbroken, she turns into Lies, an implacable supervillain who wants to rid the world of lies and those who tell them... including superheroes!

403_GANG OF SECRETS

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette wonders if she will ever find true love while lying to everyone to protect her secret identity. Unable to confide in anyone, she shuts herself away from her close ones. Worried, Alya, Rose, Juleka, Alix and Mylene decide to save their friend by making her tell them all her secrets. But because of a misunderstanding, Marinette falls out with them and the girls get akumatized. Now the Gang of Secrets, they are determined to save Marinette... whether she wants it or not! Will her secrets resist them?

404_M. PIGEON 72

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Since Marinette became guardian of the Miraculous, she has given up on romance to focus on how to stop Shadow Moth from re-akumatizing people. Even when Alya tries to take her mind off things by dropping that Adrien and Kagami have split up, Marinette obsesses over getting them back together instead of taking her own chance! But her catastrophic plan leads to the 72nd re-akumatization of Mr. Pigeon, whose birds turn people into evil pigeons... including Kagami and Adrien! Will Ladybug's battle help Marinette find love again?

405_PSYCOMEDIAN

Written by: Thomas Astruc / Matthieu Choquet / Fred Lenoir / Sébastien Thibaudeau

When Marinette comes to think that Adrien is a fan of famous French comedian Harry Clown, she joins forces with the entertainer to try and seduce Adrien by making him laugh. But Marinette is not a humorist, and her plan fails again. When she goes to

seek comfort from Harry, she does not know that he himself just experienced a professional setback. Akumatized into Psycomedian, he imposes any emotion he wishes on people. And he is determined to wipe the smiles off everyone's faces... stating with Ladybug and Cat Noir!

406_FURIOUS FU

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval – Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette meets Su-Han, the Celestial Guardian of the Miraculous. He knows that she is Ladybug and wants the Miracle Box back, convinced that she stole it. But Su-Han learns that Master Fu gave it to her and decides to punish him and take his guardian's staff back. Amnesiac, Fu does not recognize the Celestial Guardian and mistakes him for a thief. Feeling attacked, he is akumatized into Furious Fu and wants his cane back along with an apology. Will Ladybug save Master Fu and prove that she is the rightful Guardian of the Miraculous?

407_SOLE CRUSHER

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval – Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette meets Zoe. They instantly hit it off, but Marinette does not know that Zoe is Chloe's half-sister! Chloe forces Zoe to be mean to Marinette to earn her place in the Bourgeois family. Indeed, to Chloe, there are two types of people in life: those who crush others, and those who get crushed. Zoe hesitates between Marinette and Chloe and gets akumatized into Sole Crusher, a giant version of Chloe who absorbs people with her shoes. Ladybug and Cat Noir cannot let her walk over them if they want to stop her!

408_QUEEN BANANA

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette has designed costumes for a movie project in which Chloe's half-sister Zoe plays the lead role. Jealous, Chloe uses her connections to steal the role and make the film all about her. But, inspired by Marinette, the crew rebels and ends up shooting without her. Shadow Moth akumatizes a furious Chloe into Queen Banana, allowing her to turn real life into a film in which he would love to witness Ladybug and Cat Noir's defeat. But Ladybug has a unique cast idea: giving the Bee Miraculous to a new and promising actress.

409_GABRIEL AGRESTE

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Nathaniel and Marc have a plan for Marinette to declare her feelings to Adrien. They set it up at school, where Adrien is free of his father's control. But Chloe films their meeting and threatens to reveal everything to Gabriel, who would forbid Adrien to go back to school. Chloe will spend the evening at Gabriel's, where Marinette cannot enter. But Nath and Marc's imagination is limitless, and Marinette, disguised as a

waiter, sneaks into the Agreste home...where a supervillain is also crashing the party. Will Ladybug save the soirée?

410_MEGA LEECH

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudau

Focused on her double life, Marinette has not realized how important Mylene's commitment to the ecological cause is to her friend. A development project of the Place des Vosges square initiated by Mayor Bourgeois and against which Mylene fights opens her eyes. Marinette and her friends join forces to Mylene to save the Place des Vosges trees. But when Mayor Bourgeois gets reakumatized into Malediktator and gets help from Sentimonster Mega Leech, Ladybug and Cat Noir will have to commit to save the Place des Vosges... and all of Paris!

411_GUILTRIP

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudau

Marinette finds out that Juleka has been keeping a secret about Rose for a very long time. Thinking that it will help Juleka, Marinette urges her to tell her what it is, promising that she will never tell Rose that she knows. But despite her promise, Marinette can no longer act normal around Rose, who quickly understands that Juleka has spilled the beans. This sends Juleka down an abyss of guilt, so deep that Shadow Moth will draw all the darkness he needs from it to try and trap Ladybug and Cat Noir.

412_CROCODUEL

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudau

Marinette is convinced that Luka has been akumatized several times because of her, because he loves her when she loves Adrien. She has been avoiding him ever since to protect him, but this situation obviously hurts them both. So, their friends decide to arrange a reunion between them on Luka's twin sister Juleka's birthday. But when Marinette finds out about it, she comes up with a plan doomed to cause many a disaster... and one unexpected akumatization.

413_OPTIGAMI

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudau

Now that he knows the identities of some of Ladybug's allies, Shadow Moth comes up with a plan to exploit that flaw. For guaranteed success, he brings his most fearsome akumatized villain back. As for Marinette, she and her friends have been invited to a party where Adrien will be awarded a prize by Audrey Bourgeois' fashion magazine. But what should have been a party turns into a nightmare when Audrey becomes Style Queen again, and Adrien and Marinette get trapped together... unable to transform into Ladybug and Cat Noir!

414_SENTIBUBBLER

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Shadow Moth has found out that Alya is Rena Rouge. Marinette knows this and fears that he will use this information against her best friend. Especially now that she's entrusted her with the Fox Miraculous long-term! Has Marinette made a mistake? As she turns up at Alya's to tell her about her doubts, Shadow Moth creates Sentibubbler, a Sentimonster that traps all Alya's loved ones in bubbles in the Paris sky... and will only release them if Rena Rouge betrays Ladybug and Cat Noir! Will Marinette stop her nightmare from coming true?

415_GLACIATOR 2

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Ladybug and Cat Noir face Glaciator again, who is convinced that the superheroes are in love. When a facetious Cat Noir agrees with him, Ladybug reminds him that they cannot be together, and that his insistence is becoming a real nuisance. Once they've defeated the supervillain, Cat Noir starts doing some serious soul-searching. As he looks for a way to stop annoying his Lady with his feelings, Cat Noir bumps into Marinette, who herself is looking for someone to help her rehearse telling how she feels to the boy she secretly loves...

416_HACK-SAN

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Being Ladybug is a huge responsibility. You must always be ready to step in and save Paris or hand a new superpower to a new superhero. But when you're 14, there are some obligations even the greatest superheroes can't escape: for instance, visiting your Auntie Shu Yin in London. What if Marinette had no choice but to leave Paris on the day when Shadow Moth decided to infect Max's robot Markov with an evil virus in order to re-akumatize him? What would happen then?

417_ROCKETEAR

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

As Guardian of the Miraculous, Ladybug must make important and difficult decisions. Like having everyone believe that Rena Rouge no longer goes out on missions with Cat Noir and her. The need for total secrecy forces Alya to lie to Nino, with whom she had been sharing her secret so far. But Alya has never lied to the boy she loves. And when she does, it creates a huge misunderstanding. Nino thinks that she has fallen in love with Cat Noir! Feeling betrayed, Nino will do anything to take revenge on the girlfriend-stealing tomcat...

418_WISHMAKER

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

It's Careers of Paris weekend, and the students need to think about their future. Marinette realizes that there are so many things that she wants to do... that she doesn't know what she really wants anymore. Adrien doesn't know either... because his father has always decided for him. The two friends meet at Careers of Paris, where Luka provides guidance. But a villain shows up. Wishmaker wants to force people to live their childhood dreams, and targets Ladybug and Cat Noir especially, to make them reveal their secret identities...

419_SIMPLEMAN

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette can never refuse to do favors for others! This makes her a wonderful Ladybug, but it also often complicates Marinette's daily life. Today, for instance, Marinette has agreed to babysit four children at the same time! And as if looking after the kids in a room filled with kwamis was not hard enough, Adrien makes things even harder when he asks her for a favor! While she rushes to her crush's rescue, Marinette entrusts the kids to her Grandpa... unaware that she is about to turn him into a perfect target for Shadow Moth!

420_QILIN

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette has an amazing mom! Sabine is great at building harmony around her, always supple and smooth. Every day, her talent is put to the test as she helps her clumsy and forgetful daughter grow. And because of one of Marinette's careless mistakes, Sabine ends up being accused of committing an offense. She protests her innocence, but no one believes her. A terrible feeling of injustice comes over her, and she gets akumatized into Qilin. This time, Ladybug is the one who will have to help her mom!

421_DEAREST FAMILY

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Galette day and an awkward gift from Gina to her granddaughter give Shadow Moth an opportunity to reakumatize the whole Dupain-Cheng family at once. Bakerix, Weredad, Qilin and Befana are back. And if that wasn't bad enough, Tikki suddenly gets a serious case of the munchies and starts acting really strange. Will Cat Noir's help be enough to help Ladybug be the queen of the day?

422_EPHEMERAL

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

To defeat a villain, Ladybug calls on nine superheroes when she only needed Cat Noir and his Cataclysm. But she could not reach him, since she doesn't know his secret identity. According to the Celestial Guardian of the Miraculous, this situation

cannot go on. It is too dangerous to leave the Miraculous of the Black Cat to a stranger. If Ladybug wants to remain the Guardian, she must find a way to tell Master Su-Han who Cat Noir really is. Someone needs to know. When faced with such an ultimatum, what will Ladybug do?

423_KURO NEKO

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Vesperia! Viperion! Carapace! Porcinella! Purple Tigress! Pegasus! Ladybug's got a Dream Team together to combat a new villain... without Cat Noir! For a while now, our hero has been feeling a bit left out. More and more convinced that he's less important in her eyes now that his Lady has a whole gang of superheroes, he finally gives her back his Miraculous. Ladybug can't stop him and finds herself a bit lost without her kittycat. But Plagg is there to cheer her up and help her find a solution. He suggests that she recruit a new Cat Noir!

424_PENALTEAM

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Miss Bustier has organized a soccer game to introduce her students to the values of sport and the pleasure to play together. Marinette, who loves soccer, does her best to save the game, even though Chloe is determined to do everything to ruin the happy moment. Indeed, Chloe hates soccer. But when faced with an unfazed Marinette who includes her in the game against her will, Chloe's anger reaches an all-time high. And she only hopes for one thing now... being akumatized so she can get revenge.

425_RISK (SHADOW MOTH'S FINAL ATTACK – PART 1)

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Now aware that Ladybug always prevails by being cautious, Shadow Moth comes up with an evil plan involving a supervillain who can drive his victims to take any risk. When Marinette finds out that Adrien must leave Paris for several weeks with Lila, the new face of the Gabriel brand, she is ready for anything to stop him. But just how far is she willing to go? Will she take the fatal risk to betray her secret identity out of love? What about Adrien? Will he take the risk to stand up to his father?

426_INVULNERABLE (SHADOW MOTH'S FINAL ATTACK – PART 2)

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Still unaware that they are under the influence of a fearsome akumatized villain, Ladybug and Cat Noir are willing to take any risk to return as quickly as possible to civilian life, where their fate is about to be turned upside down. Underestimating the one they think is their only opponent, Sentimonster Invulnerable, our superheroes become increasingly vulnerable themselves. And waiting in the dark, Shadow Moth trusts that this will be his final plan, and his first victory...

SEASON 5_SYNOPSIS

Marinette has lost the Miracle Box and the kwamis. She is left with only her Miraculous, and Cat Noir his. Shadow Moth, who now goes by the name of Monarch, has never been so close to victory. He can now give Miraculous powers to his akumatized people to create ultra-powerful super villains. But our heroes, working together as a duo again, will prove to be more united and closer than ever. This new trial will deeply mark their relationship and their private lives. Nothing will ever be the same.

501_EVOLUTION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Following his victory over Ladybug, Monarch is now in possession of the Rabbit Miraculous. Now able to use the power of time travel, the supervillain wants to return to a point in the past when Ladybug and Cat Noir were weak and use that advantage to seize their Miraculous. Our heroes will have to face their enemy in a race through time... and their previous adventures.

502_MULTIPLICATION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

When Marinette becomes convinced that her feelings for Adrien caused her defeat against Monarch as Ladybug, she decides to give up on her love for the young schoolboy.

Besides, as Ladybug, she's getting ready to fight a more powerful than ever Monarch, with Cat Noir's help. But as the days go by, not a single akumatized shows up to torment Paris. Could Monarch possibly have given up?

503_DESTRUCTION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

What if Ladybug's worst nightmare came true? What if Monarch could force the kwamis who know Ladybug's address to lead him to her? The unfortunate little creatures would have no choice but to obey him... And if Monarch showed up at Marinette Dupain-Cheng's home, would she be able to escape him?

504_JUBILATION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette is surprised to discover that a former schoolmate, Socqueline, is passing herself off as Ladybug. She tries to dissuade her from endangering herself this way, but Monarch comes after Socqueline, convinced that she is the real Ladybug. He entrusts an akumatized villain with the power of the Miraculous of Jubilation, which

shows people their deepest desires. Will the real Ladybug and Cat Noir escape that dangerous power?

505_ILLUSION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Even though Ladybug can no longer entrust him with a Miraculous, Nino wants to keep helping the superhero and Cat Noir. He decides to create a Resistance Network at school. The secret organization's first mission is to figure out how Monarch's new power works by deliberately triggering an akumatization. But the first members of the Resistance, Marinette, Adrien and Alya, are not convinced. Would Ladybug and Cat Noir agree with such a plan?

506_DETERMINATION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette and Adrien wonder about their feelings. While Marinette tries to convince herself that she needs to stop being in love with Adrien because it diverts her from her role as a superhero, she discovers that she has feelings for another boy, who has changed a lot lately... As for Adrien, he is becoming increasingly interested in Marinette. What if she were more than just a friend? He doesn't know that, by inviting Marinette out, he is about to unleash a whirlwind of feelings that will change their lives...

507_PASSION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

As Marinette tries to convince herself that she loves Cat Noir to try and forget about Adrien, Adrien, who has given up on being in love with Ladybug, tries to find a way to declare his feelings to Marinette. As everything turns upside down in their lives, Ladybug and Cat Noir exchange their Miraculous to escape a ruthless villain. But the return of Mister Bug is about to make things even more confusing in Lady Noire's heart.

508_REUNION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

While visiting the Louvre museum, Marinette makes a double discovery. First, she realizes that her friend Alix, whom she's entrusted with the Rabbit Miraculous, has found a way to communicate with her loved ones without setting foot in the present. Second, Marinette learns that she herself can use her kwagatama to communicate with the Memories of the former Miraculous holders. Will this help her escape the trap that Monarch has set for her?

509_ELATION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudau

When Ladybug chases after Cat Noir, he runs away from her. When Adrien chases after Marinette, she runs away from him. Tikki and Alya grow increasingly concerned as they watch Marinette's moves: is their friend looking for yet another excuse to run away from her feelings for Adrien, or is she really falling for another boy? When they cross paths with Andre the ice-cream maker – whose ice cream is supposed to know and reveal the mysteries of love – Marinette and Cat Noir make a chilling discovery that will freeze their hearts!

510_TRANSMISSION (THE KWAMIS' CHOICE – PART 1)

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudau

It's the same thing every time. Be it as Marinette and Adrien or as Ladybug and Cat Noir, our heroes' secret identities always prevent them from having a romance. Tikki and Plagg are sorry to see their holders so sad to have to give up on their feelings. So, the kwamis make a drastic choice that will change many a thing in Paris...

511_DEFLAGRATION (THE KWAMIS' CHOICE – PART 2)

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudau

Monarch is faced with a unique opportunity that he refuses to miss. The world is about to be reconfigured, and no one seems able to prevent it... for the Kwamis have made a choice that completely distracted Marinette and Adrien from their responsibilities. For better... and for worse.

512_PERFECTION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudau

What would Marinette do without her friends? The whole gang has decided to do everything to help her finally get closer to Adrien. This time, anything goes. But Marinette knows how to be surprising, again and again! Especially when no one's told her anything, and no one knows that she also has come up with a unique plan to try and tell Adrien how she feels. They're all in to find out that it's better to tell things clearly to your friends if you don't want to cause a misunderstanding... that could lead to someone being akumatized!

513_MIGRATION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudau

There are many sides to Luka. Sure, he's Juleka's twin brother, but he's also like a big brother to his friends, including Marinette and Adrien. They both like to seek his advice, as Luka always has an inspiring quote to give them. Lastly, Luka is the guitarist of the band Kitty Section, and the son of a celebrity. And this side of Luka's will pique the interest of label owner Bob Roth, who's ready for anything to make

money! But Bob Roth underestimates Luka, who's ready for anything to defend his values and his friends.

514_DERISION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Just as it seems like Marinette is finally about to have a normal date with Adrien, she strangely starts suffering from repeated panic attacks. She doesn't understand why, and it's starting to jeopardize her relationship with the one she loves. And it creates an emotional situation that could make her the perfect target for Monarch! What if the answer to her problems lay in her own past? Back when Marinette wasn't the Marinette we know today...

515_INTUITION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Monarch is really unlucky when it comes to the power of Intuition. Either Ladybug's Lucky Charm keeps adapting to the situation, or Cat Noir's unpredictability spoils everything at the last second! But when the Tsurugi technologies decide to test their new spaceplane, Monarch senses a unique occasion to get a real second chance. He is ready to do anything, even if it means that this could be his last chance to seize the Miraculous.

516_PROTECTION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

As the gang comes up with yet another overcomplicated plan to bring Marinette and Adrien together, Lila uses her talent for manipulation to persuade Kagami that Marinette is a liar who abuses everyone else's kindness. Shocked, Kagami is akumatized into Riposte Prime. She lays into Marinette at the very moment when Adrien had managed to finally make her feel comfortable around him. Will Lila's poisonous lie ruin the friendship between Kagami, Marinette and Adrien?

517_ADORATION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

When Marinette and Zoe are chosen to organize the end-of-school-year party, Marinette learns that Zoe is secretly in love with someone in ninth grade at school. Zoe says that she cannot talk about it. To Marinette, this can only mean one thing: Zoe is in love with Adrien! But before she finds out whether she is right or not, a common enemy of the girls will try to ruin their beautiful friendship...

518_EMOTION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Adrien must attend the Diamonds' Dance organized by his father and Mrs. Tsurugi. He will be the King of the Ball alongside Kagami, who has been chosen to be this year's Queen. Neither Adrien nor Kagami want to go, but they are only teenagers who cannot disobey their parents' orders.

When she finds out that Adrien did not dare to tell her about the dance, Marinette decides to go too. But how will she enter such a private event where she does not seem to be welcome at all?

519_PRETENSION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Convinced that Gabriel's coldness towards her stems from a misunderstanding, Marinette decides to have a heart-to-heart with the father of the boy she loves... and her outstanding courage inspires her friend Kagami! She too would love to open the door to her ever-commanding mom's heart! Alas, the conversation comes to a sudden end when an unexpected guest returns and spirits Kagami away! Who is this mysterious guest? Will Ladybug and Cat Noir save Kagami? And will Marinette and Adrien ever have a chance to love each other freely?

520_REVELATION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Lila is an accomplished liar. This evil talent has allowed her to be loved by all, and even to be hired by Gabriel Agreste. But Marinette and Adrien's growing closer pushes the boy's father to name Kagami as the new face of his brand, enraging Lila. She uses an incident in class to call for new elections in order to replace Marinette as class representative. But the campaign goes wrong, much to Monarch's delight. Thread lightly, for with Lila, things are more than often not what they seem...

521_CONFRONTATION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

School break is around the corner, junior high will soon be over! The students must make their course choices before the teacher-class rep meeting, a major step that will determine their future! And, to defend their classmates' high school ambitions: the new class reps, Lila and Chloe! Marinette and Adrien worry. What will be the next evil plan of these two brats whom everyone believes to be nice, now?

522_ACTION

Written by: Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Marinette, Adrien and their friends want to actively fight plastic pollution in Paris. But at only their own scale, the task seems just too enormous. It occurs to Marinette that they should try to fix the problem at the root, by trying to convince the largest plastic manufacturer in person to change his habits. But the heroes will meet an opponent in plain clothes, more fearsome than even some supervillains. And what if, on top of that, Monarch decided to akumatize the baron of plastic?

523_COLLUSION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

The end of the school year is near, and rebellion is brewing. Monarch has neither the time nor the choice: he decides to implement a plan that is dangerous for his secret identity... and extremely dangerous for Ladybug and Cat Noir, too. Without knowing it, the villain will get help from Lila, who is controlling a meaner-than-ever Chloe behind the scenes. As for Marinette, she doesn't know that Adrien does not dare to tell her a dreadful secret that could jeopardize their relationship forever.

524_REVOLUTION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Chloe is now more powerful than ever and, thanks to her, so is Monarch. Ladybug and Cat Noir wonder about their superpowers, unaware that they have just fallen into an evil trap. As for Marinette and Adrien, their lives are about to change forever.

525_REPRESENTATION

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

When Adrien disobeys his father to go find Marinette, Gabriel akumatizes himself to find his son. Meanwhile, Marinette is certain that Adrien is looking for her. Thinking she's joining the boy she loves, she will discover a secret nothing could have prepared her for.

526_CONFORMATION (THE FINAL DAY – PART 1)

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Monarch has just placed the final pieces of his villainous plan on his chessboard of evil. He has nothing left to lose, because today will be his final day. The plan he has put in place is more ambitious than ever. Global, merciless, radical. If he were to fail at seizing Ladybug and Cat Noir's Miraculous, the world would live forever in chaos. The unsuspecting Marinette and Adrien have already fallen victim to this plan. Are Ladybug and Cat Noir doomed? Will Monarch win in the end?

527_RE-CREATION (THE FINAL DAY – PART 2)

Written by: Thomas Astruc - Mélanie Duval - Fred Lenoir - Sébastien Thibaudeau

Monarch's ultimate plan is in motion. Nothing seems able to stop him now. Especially considering that, while the world descends into chaos, the supervillain has just trapped Ladybug in person...